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BRITAIN MUST BEAT HITLER IN CAUCASUS

NO PARLEYS WITH HITLER

Eden Gives Pledge To House Of Commons: Out To Aid Russia

LONDON, Oct 23.

Mr. Eden, Foreign Secretary, replying to the debate in the House of Commons on the war situation discussed by the rank and file of the members to-day, emphasised:

"We are determined to give Russia every help in our power by every means". The Government did not propose to negotiate with Hitler and his associates on any subject.

He sympathised with the members who asked to be relieved of their anxieties by being told something of Government's intentions, but it would increase the risk of their plans being made known. The pledge he had given to the House was the only one he could give. It was one the Government were determined to honour.—Reuter.

HITLER'S PEACE FEELER?

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.

The suggestion that Hitler will try to encourage peace feelers from the United States and Britain when the present Nazi drive in Russia has achieved its object or expends its force is made in the weekly review of "Foreign Correspondence".

The review quoting "Reliable information available in Washington" says hints of this have been allowed to reach the diplomatic corps in Berlin and that the feelers include the suggestion that Hitler is willing to vacate the Chancellorship in favour of a military figure while retaining the Reich presidency.—Reuter.

Sabotage In Italy

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.

Indications that a serious situation exists in Italy are contained in a despatch published in the newspaper "Foreign Correspondent".

The despatch says Italy is believed to be on the brink of revolt led by Italian army officers, who are sabotaging Mussolini's orders for sending troops out of the country at the German behest.

Italian troops are being used to strengthen country's coastline against a possible danger of invasion. The coastline is being fortified with barbed wire barricades, machinegun nests and anti-aircraft batteries. Seaside resorts have been converted into troop barracks.

Similar steps have been taken in Sicily and Sardinia.—Reuter.

To Bring Rome Under Nazi Heel?

It will be recalled that a few days ago the American Assistant Secretary of State expressed the belief that Germans might be planning an attack on Italy. Increasing German control on Italy is indicated in to-day's news. Dr. Funk and Dr. Clodius are now in Rome working out the part Italy must play in the German economic plan.

The "London Times" commenting on the presence of these two Germans in Rome says that Dr. Funk spoke eloquently the other day about Italy's future role in the Mediterranean. But, says the paper, what Italians must want to know is how he proposes to relieve the hardships Italy is suffering to-day.

"Foreign Correspondent declares that a meeting in Gestapo in Berlin last week discussed the acceptability of such a plan by the German people. Moreover American officials in Europe and elsewhere are bing pestered with a strange unanimity among the Germans who insist that President Roosevelt has the power to go down in history as the greatest peacemaker of all time.

Italy's Hunt For Separate Peace

The review also reports that Italy is on the brink of revolt with army officers in leadership, busily sabotaging Mussolini's orders for sending Italian troops out of the country at German behest.

"Foreign Correspondence" says the names of the officers are known in Washington and experts here in Italian affairs are urging a policy on the administration, which will not hinder the development of a revolt by encouraging the hope that the United States might intercede to secure a separate peace for Italy.

Nazi Attempt To Break Through Moscow Front

ZHUKHOV FOR COMMAND OF DANGER ZONE

New German Offensive Launched In Crimea

LONDON, Oct. 23.

General Zhukov has been appointed Commander of the Russian Western sector, including Moscow.

Marshal Timoshenko has been transferred to another post.

According to a Moscow message massing fresh units, the enemy has made another attempt to break through on the Moscow Front in the vicinity of Mojaisk and Malo-Yaroslavets.

A German 'communique' claims that the outer defences of Moscow have been broken through from the South-west and West.

The 'communique' adds that spearheads have reached a point sixty kilometres from Moscow.

GENERAL ZHUKOV'S EXPLOITS

Mystery Of Escape From Nazi 'Battering Ram'

LONDON, Oct. 23.

Reuter's Correspondent at Kouibychev telegraphs:—

From communiques over the past few days, it is apparent that Hitler had no success of any importance since he shortened his line south-west of the capital by reaching Maloyaroslavetz. Many of the heavy industrial and other plants scattered throughout the semi-wooded region south-west of Moscow have fallen into German hands. But judging from the number of trains loaded with lathes, generators and other factory equipment moving east-wards and south-eastwards across the U.S.S.R. at present, it is unlikely that Hitler has gained much from the advance which will be of direct assistance.

More advantage to Hitler chiefly lies in slowing down and reducing to some extent Soviet production.

Towards the end of last week and the beginning of this week, General Von Bock was using his tanks and mechanised infantry unsparingly in a "battering ram" effort to break through to the Capital from Mojaisk at Maloyaroslavetz. At the same time, he maintained pressure in the regions of Kelinin, Briansk and Orel with all types of arms aiming to find a weak spot if possible, and at the same time, to maintain the dispersal of Soviet troops in several sectors and prevent their decisive concentration in the centre. How General Zhukov, Former Chief of the Staff, who has now taken over Command on the Western Front managed to stave off his great frontal assault with immense columns of tanks is not yet known.

Len Von Bock's drive must inevitably have encountered a savage battering from carefully hidden Soviet artillery operating from many woods in the region west and south-west of Moscow, and enfolding all roads and approaches.

It is also clear from the latest reports published here that large concentrations of German vehicles presented a good target for low-flying Soviet planes.

Sunday seems to have been the day of the greatest intensity in the German assault, because blows by troops were co-ordinated with the reckless use of German planes in rain and squalls and very low ceiling with the aim of unsettling the Soviet rear.

While the defence in depth, prepared over a long period in the West and South-West of Moscow, was achieving its purpose, Soviet tank formations were holding up attacks delivered with feverish nervousness by two German tank divisions and a number of infantry regiments in the regions of Orel and Tula which swung from one sub-sector to another.

Soviet tank formations were helped by large reinforcements from the civil guard who are from the populations of the Orel and Tula regions.

In the first ten days of October, German tank divisions succeeded in getting well on the way to Tula but were stopped. They tried a flank attack, but this cost them 150 tanks and they had to fall back to their original positions. The latest reports from the region of Tula and Orel declare that the main road to Moscow is completely blocked to German columns. This explains the haste with which the German shifted their blows from one sub-sector to another during the past few days and also the extensive use the Soviet Command had to make of tanks especially heavy ones and aircraft to withstand these attacks.

South of Kalinin, there is a wide obstacle in the form of a lake to the west of which there is an area of swamps and ponds which must necessarily canalise and weaken any later German drive aiming at Moscow.—Reuter.

HEAVY RUMANIAN CASUALTIES

LONDON, Oct. 23.

Twelve Rumanian divisions, 200 aircraft, hundreds of tanks and guns was the price the Rumanians paid for Odessa, according to General Petrov in the "Red Star", the Soviet Army Organ, states the Moscow Radio.—Reuter.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE IN CRIMEA

MOSCOW, Oct. 23.

Further fierce fighting before Moscow in the vicinity of Mojaisk and Malo-Yaroslavetz is reported by the Soviet News Agency (today). The Germans massed fresh units and made another attempt to break through. Several furious onslaughts were beaten off with heavy losses. The Germans are stated to have repeatedly tried to force the river "O".

According to early reports, fifty German tanks and seventy lorries were destroyed on Tuesday.

Amplifying the description of the launching of the new German offensive in the Crimea, in which it claims that already 5,000 Germans and Rumanians have been killed and 100 German aeroplanes destroyed.

The Moscow radio says that the Germans entered one village, but were ejected by a Soviet naval detachment after spending one night there.

The Germans have left many dead in gardens and fields. A little later, the Germans launched fresh attacks. The engagement was hot. The Germans push forward to Soviet gun positions, regardless of casualties, but wavered under direct fire and withdrew to their initial positions.

The radio adds: "The battlefield was held by our troops. It was littered with the dead of the enemy." Airmen of the Soviet Fleet Air Arm, several times, bombed concentrations of German troops, tanks and batteries. One unit during the first stage of the battle for Crimea destroyed about 40 field and anti-aircraft guns, about 90 lorries, and large num-

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CLAMOUR FOR DIRECT AID TO SOVIET

Commons Demand Despatch Of British Expeditionary Force

LONDON, Oct. 23.

Direct aid for Russia by the dispatch of British divisions to the Caucasus Front was demanded by two speakers to-day in the debate in the House of Commons. Mr. Noel Baker (Labour) said that there was deep and widespread anxiety about the war in Russia and what the British forces had done to help Russia in her hour of need. The public feeling was not anger, but a sense of frustration that it should still be possible for Hitler to destroy his victims one by one.

Mr. Noel Baker deplored the suggestion of the establishment of a Western Front in view of Lord Gort's dispatches, emphasised economic help being sent to Russia and reminded his hearers that the R.A.F. was holding more than half the entire German fighter force in Western Europe where R.A.F. bombers continued the offensive to the utmost limit the weather allowed.

Nevertheless he asked: Did Government sufficiently realise "that Russia is not an important sideshow, but a vital theatre of war" and had they acted from June onwards with all the speed and decision required? He shared the doubts and anxieties so many of the public felt and added that Britain's frontier was on the Volga and the Don and suggested the despatch of some part of the Middle East forces to support the Russian army in the Ukraine.

Commander Stephen Kinghall also ridiculed the idea of a Western Front which he referred to as "an ill-informed clamour" but drew attention to "the appendage called Italy."

Col. Wedgwood (Independent) supported the idea of British divisions for the Caucasus and also suggested the stimulation of every form of revolt not only in France and Yugoslavia, but also in Italy and Germany and also the launching of nightly raids in large numbers all round the enemy coastline. This latter tactic was supported by Conservative Member, Sir George Jeffreys, who was Mr. Churchill's Commanding Officer in France in the Great War.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan (Labour) said that the people did not trust the Government and the Communist, Mr. Gallacher, declared that it was impossible for a Government such as the present one to give 100 per cent aid to the Soviet Union that was essential for the safety of the people of this country.

Major Lloyd (Conservative) urged the director of Britain's bombing policy against the morale of the German people.—Reuter.

JAPANESE RESORT TO GAS WARFARE?

LONDON, Oct. 23.

Replying to a member of the House of Commons the Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Law, writes: "Reports have been received that gas was used by the Japanese in the recent fighting round Ichang. These are now being investigated."

Replying to a further question whether this intensification of war brutality, especially against civilians, will be taken into account in any assistance in respect of war equipment which we are able to spare for the Chinese, Mr. Law added: "It is the policy of the British Government to do all they can to help China maintain her independence."—Reuter.

'ID MILAP' S. I. Association's Lead

The South Indian Association, Bombay, was complimented by a number of prominent speakers on the lead it gave to bring Hindus and Muslims together in friendly association. The occasion was the 'Id Milap' meeting arranged by the Association at its premises at Matunga on Thursday evening. Among those present were Messrs. Osman Sobani, Dhirubhai Desai, S. A. Brelvi, Abid Ali Jafferbhai, Salebhai Abdul Kader and Saadulla Khan. Mr. K. S. Ramachandra Iyer presided.

No Clue To Trend Of Sevagram Talks

"C. R." To Visit Bombay: Rajen Babu's Assurance To Bengal Delegates

WARDHAGANJ, October 23.

While no clue is yet available regarding the trend of discussions of which prominent Congress leaders at present in Wardha are having with Mahatma Gandhi at Sewagram, according to one leader these discussions have no special significance. It is pointed out that any revision of Congress policy could only be decided by the Working Committee and subsequently ratified by the A.I.C.C. The Working Committee could not meet at present since its President and other members of the Committee are in prison. Secondly, the Committee should have a basis for discussion. A change in policy could not be seriously discussed without any gesture on the part of the British Government towards India.

Meanwhile the Satyagraha campaign would be carried on as heretofore. It will be limited in scope with strict adherence to the policy of non-embarrassment.

'C. R." For Bombay

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari and Babu Rajendra Prasad had further discussions with Mahatma Gandhi to-day. After two or three days stay, Mr. Rajagopalachari intends visiting Bombay.

Declining to be interviewed on the present political situation Mr. Rajagopalachari remarked: "I must hold my tongue for sometime more and be reticent."—A.P.

Rajen Babu's Assurance To Bengal Delegates

WARDHAGANJ, Oct. 23.

Mr. Kironshankar Roy, Leader of the Bengal Congress Assembly Party, Mr. A. K. Ghosh and Dr. Nalinaksha Sanyal interviewed Mahatma Gandhi in the presence of Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Mr. Rajagopalachariar and Acharya Kripalani again this afternoon regarding the resumption of normal parliamentary activities in Bengal.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad after consulting Mahatma Gandhi and others, it is learnt, informed the Bengal Delegation that the views represented by them would receive active consideration during the next few days and the Parliamentary Sub-Committee's decision will be communicated to Mr. Kironshankar at an early date. The Bengal Congress Leaders are leaving tomorrow reaching Calcutta on Saturday morning.

It is understood that the Parliamentary Sub-Committee is receiving representation from the provinces where Congress legislators are in a minority. So their question, it is learnt, is being examined along with Bengal where also the legislature functions like that in the Punjab and Assam and it is not unlikely that a general policy may be adopted in these provinces. A decision is expected at an early date.—A.P.

Sind Premier's Talks With Gandhiji

WARDHA, Oct. 23.

Khan Bahadur Allahbux, Premier of Sind, had a long talk with Gandhiji and other leaders on the Sind problem. He left this evening for Bombay 'en route' to Karachi, reaching on Monday morning.

Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, former Premier of the United Provinces, is arriving here on the morning of October 25.—United Press.

BENGAL DELEGATES' CASE

Mahatma's Intimation

WARDHAGANJ, Oct. 23.

The Hon. Khan Bahadur Allabux, the Premier of Sind, left for Bombay this evening 'en route' to Karachi. During his three days' stay at Sewagram, he participated in general political discussions with Mahatma Gandhi and other leaders, his visit to Sewagram was purely personal, and was not in connection with any Sind problem.

While parliamentary activities in the Congress Provinces have been ruled out for the present, Mahatma Gandhi and other leaders present in Wardha are understood to be considering the position of Congress members in the Punjab Bengal and Assam legislatures.

During the last two days, the leaders at Sewagram discussed the question of Bengal only with the delegation of Congress Members from Bengal. It is learnt that Mahatma Gandhi has intimated Bengal Congressmen that the decision on the subject would be made known shortly.—A. P.

PT. PANT FOR WARDHA

NAINITAL, Oct. 23.

Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, ex-Premier of the United Provinces, is proceeding to Wardha to-day 'via' Lucknow and Jhansi. He will reach Wardha on the morning of October 25.—A. P.

TO CONTEST SEAT FROM JAIL

AKOLA, Oct. 23.

The Vidarbha Provincial Congress last night decided that Veer Wamanrao Joshi, now in Nagpur Jail, should contest the Central Assembly by-election caused by the resignation of Mr. M. S. Aney

It is understood that Honourable Mr. Bhyani, President of the Vidarbha Congress, has to-day telegraphically requested the Chief Secretary C. P. Government to grant Mr. Joshi all facilities for signing the nomination and other necessary papers.—A. P.

COMMUNAL CLASH IN CITY

44 Receive Injuries And 6 Dead: Quiet Restored

On Thursday night at about 9 p.m. there was a sudden outbreak of communal trouble in the locality near Null Bazaar, Gulalwadi and Golpitha How the trouble arose is not clear, but it subsided almost as soon as it arose. There was some stone-throwing and there were cases of stabbing. For sometime there was considerable excitement in the disturbed locality. The shops were at once closed and people began to run helter-skelter. Near Bapu Khote Street in the midst of a big crowd a man was seen stabbing another. A police officer instantly opened fire directing the hit against the assailant.

The mob tried to set fire to the car of the police officer lying nearby. As, in the meanwhile police help arrived and the mob dispersed.

Though the trouble subsided and peace was restored soon after the arrival of the police, 44 persons with injuries were brought to the J. J. Hospital, a large number of whom were detained for treatment and 6 were killed.

The Police Commissioner and other police officers moved about the affected locality and throughout the night a number of police officers and constables were placed on patrol duty. The trams and bus services were running uninterruptedly and all was quiet after 9-30 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF OFFICE

How London Journal Looks At Revisionist Plea

LONDON, Oct. 23.

A leading article in Tuesday's "Yorkshire Post" states:

"Released Congress leaders have been meeting Mr. Gandhi over the week-end to discuss party policy. Some of them are reported to be in favour of resuming office in the provinces and restarting Parliamentary activities as the best means of carrying on the campaign for Indian Independence.

At the same moment comes the disturbing news from Bombay of the discovery of documents from Jai Prakash Narain, Congress Socialist leader, which reveal the existence of a secret revolutionary organisation. This at a time when the threat of India from outside is increasing, should help to convince the more moderate leaders of Indian opinion, including Congress members, that all concerned for the safety of the country should seek to reach a working arrangement for the war period.

Any movement which creates further disunity in India in the present situation is an ally of Hitlerism and enemy to every hope that the Indians cherish.

We should like to think that the desire of Congress leaders to resume office, even though it betokens of no improvement in their relations with the British Government, is an evidence of growing realisation that a merely obstructive attitude is futile and may be dangerous.

The Indians are apt to suggest that the British Government uses their differences of opinion among themselves as an excuse for refusing their demands. It lies with them to prove that any such excuse is no longer valid by co-operating to draw up a scheme of Government upon which they can agree.

As the Secretary of State for India said not long ago in reply to a question put to him by an American citizen: 'Both the form of India's future constitution and the time-table of her progress towards the complete freedom of her sister dominions are in Indian hands."—Reuter.

350 INDIANS STILL LEFT IN JAPAN

CALCUTTA, Oct. 23.

Two-hundred and five Indian evacuees from Japan, including 30 women, 71 children and 10 students, have arrived in Calcutta. Of these, about 125 belong to the province of Sind, about 80 to Bombay and the rest to Bengal and the Punjab.

According to a leader of the evacuees, there are still 350 Indians left in Japan, some of whom are expected to return to India shortly if passage is available, while others are determined to stay on.

The evacuee ship has also brought 31 non-Indian refugees.—A. P.

Student Rearrested On Release

TRICHINOPOLY, Oct. 23.

Mr. T. Nagi Reddi of Anantapur, a student of the Benares Hindu University, who was released today was immediately rearrested under the Defence of India Rules He was taken to Vellore Jail where he will be kept under detention.

Mr. Reddi was convicted for the publication of an objectional leaflet last year.—A. P.

R. A. F. Raid On Rhineland

LONDON, Oct. 23.

The Rhineland was raided again last night.

An Air Ministry Communique on Thursday states: "Aircraft of the bomber command last night attacked objectives in the Rhineland including the industrial centre of Mannheim. Attacks were also made on docks at Le Havre and the harbour at Brest, five of our aircraft are missing."—Reuter

Enemy Aircraft Over Britain

LONDON, Oct. 23.

"During the early part of last night a small number of enemy aircraft flew over this country," states an Air Ministry communique: "Bombs were dropped at scattered points mainly in North Wales and on the Merseyside. These did little damage. There were some casualties including a small number of people killed. Three enemy bombers were destroyed during the night."—Reuter.

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The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund has now reached a figure of Rs. 5,02,26,696. His Excellency gratefully acknowledges this splendid voluntary effort. The position of the Fund on September 30, 1941, was:—

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Free Balance	39.26
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A BANKER'S ORDER WILL BE FOUND ON ANOTHER PAGE.

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Send Notice To Mills Under Auspices Of Girni Kamgar Union

The following notice is being sent, under the auspices of the Bombay Girni Kamgar Union (Red Flag), by the textile operatives to their respective mills:

Whereas the present basic rates of wages are inadequate and insufficient for the maintenance of a proper living-wage-standard, which, after impartial investigations made by the Textile Inquiry Committee presided over by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Divatia, has been estimated to be between Rs. 50 and Rs 55 per mensem in Bombay:

And, the real value of the basic rates of wages has been considerably lowered due to the rise in the cost of living, since the Textile Inquiry Committee formed their estimates;

And, the said rise in the cost of living has not been fully compensated for by the grant of dearness-allowance so far made;

And, for sometime past, the economic and financial position of the Textile Industry has very considerably improved; and the workers are most legitimately entitled to a proper share in the said improvement:

We do hereby demand that—

1. The dearness-allowance be forthwith so increased as to be fully commensurate with, and sufficient for the rise in the cost of living;

2. The Rates of wages and earnings, exclusive of all allowances etc., so far granted or to be granted hereafter to meet the need of the hour, payable to all classes of workers for all classes of works done, be forthwith raised by 25 per cent as a step towards reaching the Living-Wage-Standard;

3. The Bombay Girni Kamgar Union (Red Flag) be forthwith recognised.

Munshi To Discuss New Programme With Hindu & Sikh Workers

LAHORE, Oct. 23.

Mr. K. M. Munshi, Ex-Minister of Bombay, arrives here on October 29. A Reception Committee, with Dr. Sir Gokul Chand Narang, M.L.A., Raja Narendra Nath, Rai Bahadur Lala Ramsarandas, Bhai Parmanand, Dr. Satyapal and others as members, has been formed.

Mr. Munshi is expected to stay in the Punjab for about a week during which he will address meetings at Lahore, Amritsar and Ludhiana.

He will also meet prominent Hindu and Sikh workers of the province and discuss with them his new programme.—A. P.

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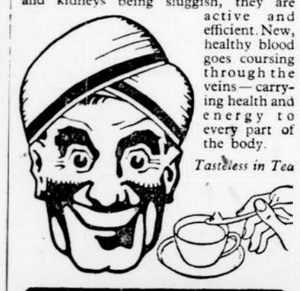

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Sunset: 6h. 11m.
Highlitide: 2-56; 14-13
Lowtide: 8-16; 20-17

A.R.P. COMMITTEE, MATUNGA: At 8-30 a.m. to-day (Friday) Capt. S. G. Gothoskar, Assit. A.R.P. Controller, will speak on "Wardens and First Aid" at Ramnarain Ruia College.

A.R.P. COMMITTEE, MAHIM: The last of the series of five lectures will be delivered by Mr. Chas Bigwood at the St. Michael's High School, Mahim, to-day (Friday) at 8-30 p.m. Mr. H. A. Fazelbhoy will preside.

BLAVATSKY LODGE, T.S.: Mr. C. Jinarajadasa will lecture in English at the Besant Hall of the Lodge at French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the "Road to Utopia through a Scientific Training of the Mind."

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: There will be a public study class on the subject of "Theosophy and the Masters" from "The Ocean of Theosophy" by W.Q. Judge, to-day (Friday) at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, opp. Flora Fountain.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUNDS: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 7 will meet near junction of Princess St. and Girgaon Rd. to-morrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m. (S.T.) to go round the Ward. Residents of the ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time.

Medical Licentiates' Conference Chief

Dr. U. B. Narayanrao is an elected member of the Bombay Medical Council and he is its representative in the Bombay Presidency for the British Empire Leprosy Association. He is also one of the executive members of the Council. He is conducting a monthly medical journal, "Medical Digest" and the quarterly "Indian Journal of Venereal Diseases" as Editor-in-Chief. He is also the author of "Materia Medica of Pharmaceutical Combinations and Specialities." He is now elected by the Branches of the All-India Medical Licentiates' Association of the Provinces of Bombay and Sind, as President of the III Bombay Provincial Conference of All-India Medical Licentiates' Association, to be held at Ahmedabad in X'mas week this year.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

REGAL—"Blood and Sand" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Bird of Paradise" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Keep Fit" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Underground" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Major Barbara". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Darshan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Kasauti". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Anjan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Chokha Mela". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sikandar". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Gharki Laj". Daily at 1-30, 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Sasural". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Sant Sakhu". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Andy Hardy's Private Secretary". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Swami". Daily at 1, 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Radhika". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Punarmilan". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"Himmat". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
CHITRA—"Lagan". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Akela". Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
APOLLO—"The Hunchback of Notre Dame" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.

Bombay Shop Assistants' Federation

The Samasta Mumbai Gumasta Mandal was registered on Wednesday last under the Indian Trades Union Act 1926.

The following resolutions were passed at a meeting of the managing committee of the Mandal held on the same day at Mantri House, under the presidentship of Sjt. Labhshanker Mehta:—

"The shopkeepers of different localities are respectfully requested to observe the common weekly holiday as before on the different days fixed for different localities in the city of Bombay, as the period for keeping the shops open during the Diwali and Ramzan days expires on Friday."

"It is resolved that if certain shopowners oppose the demand of weekly holiday, then Sjt. Bhagwandas Kapadia (G.O.C.) is authorised to arrange for peaceful picketing and boycott of such shops.

The opening ceremony of the Mandal will take place in the Mandal's office, C/o K.M. Shroff, Advocate, 495, Kalbadevi Rd., at 8 o'clock on Sunday, the 26th inst.

Humanitarian Principles Must Be Popularised

Dr. Navrange And Sir V. Chandavarkar Address Bombay Provincial Theistic Conference

BOMBAY, Thursday.

"A theist is one who believes that he and his fellowmen are nothing but emblems of God" observed Sir Vithal Chandavarkar in his inaugural address at the opening session of the Bombay Provincial Theistic Conference, held at Prarthana Samaj Hall, this afternoon. Dr Kashibai Nowrange presided. The inaugural address was preceded by Marathi hymns and invocation.

Sir Vithal continuing said, theists believed that so far as communion with God was concerned all men were one. That was the lofty spirit in which the great Brahmo Samaj and the Prarthana Samaj movements were founded.

Developing his theme Sir Vithal pointed out that intense faith in God, charity towards men, and hope for the future were the three essential characteristics of a theist, and the very quintessence of all theistic movements. This being so, said the speaker, they had met there in a spirit of comradeship to confer with each other. As a theist by tradition as much as by conviction, he appealed to all present to cease quarrelling over trivialities and view the things from a larger and a broader angle of vision.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Dr. Kashibai Navrange pointed out in her presidential address that the main object of the conference was to bring together all those who believed in monotheism and to discuss the principles of liberal religious movements. Though the underlying principles of the Brahmo Samaj and the Prarthana Samaj movements were high and pure, yet the movements had not gathered much strength among the masses. Hence they had met there to consider how to make these movements more effective and popular.

Continuing the president said that all humanity was one in the eyes of God, and that was the principle, on which the Prarthana Samaj and the Brahmo Samaj were working. Under the existing imperfect conditions it was impossible to carry their message throughout the world.

Referring to the hatred and communal jealousies, so rampant in this country, she said, that to overcome these, it was all the more necessary to bring nearer to the people the essentials of these great humanitarian movements.

Concluding Dr. Navrange stressed the necessity of strengthening these great religious movements by introducing study-circles, unions, debating clubs, and last but not least by organising a band of zealous and inspired workers to popularise the principles underlying these movements.

COMMUNAL UNITY & STUDENTS' DUTY

Appeal At Inter-Communal Tea Party

Under the auspices of the Fort Students' Union an inter-communal tea party was arranged at Mantri House, French Bridge on Thursday evening when students of different communities participated.

Speaking on the occasion Sjt. Dhirubhai Desai, President of the B.P.C.C., Mr. S. A. Brelvi and Mr. Abid Ali Jaferbhoy stressed the need for Hindu-Muslim unity.

The speakers advised the students to devote their time to creating the necessary atmosphere for better communal understanding.

"It lies in the hands of the younger generation to compel their elders and leaders to do away with the curse of communalism", urged the speakers. The cry that they often heard of this and that religion being in danger was a mere stunt. If anything was in real danger then it was India and her swaraj. The speakers in the end congratulated the organisers of the function for giving an opportunity to different communities to meet on a common platform.

Mr. P. M. Joshi, Secretary of the Union welcoming the guests made a suitable speech.

Late Maulana Hamid Ahmed

"The Bombay Chronicle" regrets to announce the death of Maulana Hamid Ahmed which occurred on Monday in Bombay. Maulana Hamid Ahmed, who was born in Allahabad, was the first Muslim to be arrested in connection with the Non-Co-operation movement of 1920-21. He was given a very long sentence in connection with his speech about Turkey. As a result of Gandhiji's article in "Young India" and representations made by others, his sentence was reduced and he was released. Moulana Hamid Ahmed took active part in the Khilafat movement. Some years ago he settled down in Bombay and participated in the Satyagraha campaign in 1930-31. He had recently been devoting his attention to the spread of literacy and long before the literacy campaign was started, he was responsible for the organisation of several adult literacy classes. He also took considerable part in the agitation in Bombay for the reformation of Muslim Wakfs.

Shed For Women Bathers At Chowpatty

The Government of Bombay has granted the Bombay Municipality about 67 square yards of land south of the fishermen's shed on the Chowpatty foreshore for the construction of a shed for women bathers.

"Duniya" Divali Number

The special Divali Number of the "Duniya" a Gujarati periodical, is a very pleasant addition to Divali publications. It contains a good number of stories and articles which are of varied interest and represent a comprehensive outlook. Worthy of special mention are articles by Sjt. Kannaiya and Sjt. Indulal Yagnik, one a short essay in a humorous vein and the other a serious article on Gujarat, its society and political life. The number is regularly interspersed with illustrations which are at once attractive, amusing and apt.

"Maha-Gujarat" Divali Number

The Divali Number of the "Maha-Gujarat," Karachi, is good collection of stories, poems and articles of interest, written with a purpose and a flourish. Instances of good workmanship are articles by Messrs. Sampat, Raval and Dalal. "In Memorium," a poem on Tagore, by Mr. Prabhulal Shukla makes a good reading.

ON THE AIR

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Rajen Sarkar. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 Mumtaz Begum. 8-40 Violin duets. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Atlantic Charter. 9-20 Gujarati geet. 9-30 Pad and Bhavgeet. 9-45 Khayal. 12-30 p.m. Ghazals and geets. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Marathi songs. 1-15 Duets. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 M. Tufail. 5-20 Master Baswaraj. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Mirabai Bhajan. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani 6-10 M. Deshpande. 6-20 Local news and announcements. 6-25 Local news and announcements. 6-30 Children's half hour. 7 Berlinchya Baimya. 7-15 Screen hits. 7-25 Mumtaz Begum. 7-45 G. S. Yellapurkar. 7-55 News commentary. 8 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-30 World affairs. 8-45 Show-time. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening post. 10 Mumtaz Begam. 10-15 Ebrahim. 10-25 Indirabai Wadkar.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Tarana Todi. 8-15 Three Bhavgeets. 8-25 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Indirabai Wadkar. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

5 to 5-40 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 5-40 Flute recital. 5-50 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Nisar Ahmad. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 p.m. Commercial news. 7-45 to 8 As in Bombay 1. 8 Indirabai Wadkar. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Air Orchestra. 9-10 Master Baswaraj. 9-20 Mumtaz Begum. 9-30 Gretel Sommer. 9-45 Air Symphonic strings. 10 The Lyric Trio.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian troops in the Far East. 5 Master Mumtaz and party. 5-15 Bhajan Lal. 5-30 V. N. Kinikar. 5-45 Zohrabai 6-15 Ghazal aur geet. 6-30 Marwa on Sarangi. 6-40 Zohrabai. 7 V. N. Kinikar. 7-15 Why I believe in democracy?—2. 7-30 For villagers only. 8-15 V. N. Kinikaar. 8-25 Durga on violin. 8-30 World affairs. 8-45 Zohrabai. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 War commentary. 10 Mastr Mumtaz and party. 10-20 Afzal Husain. 10-30 Zohra Nazneen.

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INDIANS IN MALAYA

It is a pity that the position of Indians abroad is getting from bad to worse in almost every country to which our people migrate in large numbers. Recent reports from Malaya, where there are about eight lakhs of Indian workers, are most disconcerting. It may be remembered that last summer Indian workers in the plantations demanded higher wages and were preparing, if necessary, to go on strike. The authorities crushed the agitation through ruthless force. They arrested and deported some of the Labour leaders and are said to be doing so even now. This only hastened the strike, when some disturbances followed and firing was resorted to more than once. The strike was broken but deep discontent is brewing among the Indian workers. The Government of India are understood to have demanded an inquiry into the shooting and refused to assist migration of Indian labour till the inquiry was held. It was reported some days ago that an inquiry committee would be appointed with an Indian High Court Judge as its Chairman to go into all the grievances of Indian labourers. We would like to know how far the proposal has progressed, if there is any such proposal at all.

Legalised Misappropriation

Meanwhile, the authorities in Malaya, finding it hard to get fresh Indian labour, decided to import labour from Java. This they had every right to do. But in order to encourage this immigration Government need funds, and they are reported to have decided to utilise for the purpose the Indian Immigration Fund, which is under the control of the Indian Immigration Committee. Now under the law this Fund can be used only for the benefit of Indians. But the Malayan authorities are said to be changing the law itself. They have published a Bill one of the objects of which is "to widen the powers of the Indian Immigration Committee so that they may collect and expend funds in respect of Javanese labourers." If the facts are all as stated, it amounts to an act of downright misappropriation, even if it is legalised.

Ban Must Remain

While this is the position so far as it is known here, it is puzzling to learn from the United Press that a request from the Government of Malaya for the emigration of 500 Indian labourers to the Straits Settlements is under the consideration of the Government of India. As we pointed out above, assisted emigration from India to Malaya is suspended till an inquiry into the shooting incidents is held and the grievances of Indian workers redressed. How is it then that the request for fresh emigration is said to be under the consideration of the Government of India? It is suggested that the request is for special permission for what is described as war work. Most, if not all, work on the rubber plantation can now be said to be war work, and that plea may virtually nullify the Government of India's ban on emigration, the demand for an inquiry into the shooting may continue to be ignored and finally Indian life may be as cheap as Indian labour is to-day in Malaya. The Government of India must not compromise a point of principle and national honour, must take a firm stand in such cases. They should also issue a statement explaining the precise present position of Indians in Malaya, particularly with regard to the inquiry into the shooting and the attempt to use the Indian Immigration Fund for assisting labour from Java.

Germany And Moscow

The force and fury of the German advance against Moscow seem to have abated to a considerable degree at least for the present. And the Russians are even reported to have launched a number of local counter-attacks at a number of points on the Moscow front. Should they succeeded in holding the enemy for some time the German position would become difficult. As a British commentator referring to the weather and the long and bad lines of Nazi communications says: "Armies have to be fed whether advancing, retreating or stationary. No troops can face Moscow inadequately fed, clothed and sheltered. If tanks and aeroplanes are immobilised by cold or mud, victory will go to the toughest fighters". Now, however, that the Germans have reached so near Moscow and at such great sacrifice, it may be taken for granted that they will let nothing stand in the way of their desperate effort to take Moscow. But considering the difficulties they are already facing before Moscow it is absurd to suppose that they will continue their advance towards the Urals. That talk which Berlin has now started is nonsense.

But the menace in the South is real and grave. Under the command of their ablest man, Field-Marshal von. Rhumstedl, the Nazis with the assistance of their alleged "Allies", have massed an extremely strong force against the much weakened and battered armies of Marshal Budenny. The gallant Russians are fighting valiantly for every inch of ground and often enough succeeding in holding up the enemy advance. But their efforts can only delay the Nazi progress, they cannot save the Donetz basin. Kharkov and Rostov are bound to go. And the question now is what next? Many neutral observers have long believed that the present drive will be continued in the south. This belief is strengthened by a number of factors including the important one that the weather does not offer any serious obstacles. The Nazis themselves have recently hinted at it and they have also just resumed their offensive against the Crimea. The situation, therefore, is potentially very grave in the south because if the Caucasus is lost the Soviet position will become well-nigh irretrievable. Much depends upon what reserves Marshal Budenny can get for the defence of the Caucasian mountains. And much more upon what assistance the British and Americans can rush immediately through Iran.

Reuter's Future

So far as India is concerned, she has no particular liking for Reuters and that for the sufficient reason that their policy is fundamentally "Imperial". India's vital concern is to have a news agency that is efficient and independent and is not subsidized by any interest India accepts Reuters for what they are because she cannot help it. But the deal about this agency which has been exposed in the House of Commons fully deserves the demunication to which it was widely subjected by M.P's of all parties It appears that a few Press Barons of London have by the outrageous threat of starting a rival agency compelled the proprietors of Reuters, who to-day constitute almost the entire press of Britain, to hand over control to four London Proprietors. The method is both old and unsavoury. But the objective is even worse. It is nothing less than this that a national agency owing international responsibilities is sought to be controlled and run by few private individuals. It is the end of whatever independence Reuters did enjoy. But the amazing thing is that the British Government, champions of freedom and servants of national interests, defend this retrayal of Reuters. As Mr. Arthur Moore, Chairman of the India, Burma and Ceylon Section of the Empire Press Union and President of the Eastern Newspaper Society, New Delhi, says in his telegram to Mr. Brenden Bracken, it is an agreed principle—and Reuters seem to have endorsed it in discussion with the Eastern Newspaper Society—that newspapers should have proprietorial interest in news agencies serving them. In fact, it would be an ideal arrangement; for it would ensure an independent and impartial news agency giving objective information about events without any trace of propaganda. But, as Moore rightly points out, it is inadmissible that newspaper proprietors in one capital should control foreign news services of newspapers in other countries. All newspapers must have a say in controlling news agencies serving them and as newspapers in India are important subscribers to Reuter's services and those of Associated Press, which Reuters own, they are entitled to such say. Mr. Moore does not exaggerate when he says that Indian newspapers would view with dismay this possibility being finally removed as also any transference of the Indian Associated Press to London. We, therefore, wholeheartedly support Mr. Moore's request to the British Government to see that the proposed transfer of the interest of Press Association of Britain in Reuter to Newspapers' Proprietors' Association is postponed until the representative organizations of the Indian Press as well as of other parts of Empire have been consulted.

KING-HALL NEWSLETTER

Secret Of German Military Power

The following are extracts from King-Hall Newsletter dated October 16:—

The serious situation on the Eastern front has given rise to much searching of the heart in this country and to self reproach concerning the scale of British assistance to our hard pressed Russian allies. Such feelings are natural at a moment of crisis like the present. How far, or in what way, are they justified? To answer that question we must distinguish between short-term and long-term considerations. Looking at the short-term problem, there has been no breach of faith no failure to give our allies what help we were in a position to furnish. A good deal of nonsense has been talked here (and in America) regarding a full-scale British invasion of North-western Europe, whilst the Nazis are busy in the East. Those who believe that such an operation will be feasible at the present time fail utterly to appreciate the relative strengths both in man power and equipment, of the armies of British and of the Germans and of what is involved in securing a bridgehead on a heavily defended hostile coast. In our opinion, such an attempt would play directly into the hands of the enemy and would almost certainly end in another Dunkirk which might cost us our country and our cause. British aid to the Soviet must be given to the last ounce and given quickly. But we should be clear in our minds on this point (and make it perfectly clear to the world): Britain has become the headquarters of the anti-Nazi front and a fortress aerodrome, essential for the final destruction of Nazi power. One year ago, the English Channel was all that stood between Hitler's Panzer Divisions and his undisputed supremacy of Europe. The preservation of this island-stronghold is not simply a matter of Britain's self-defence; it is the fundamental condition of ultimate victory for all freedom-loving peoples. In the field of long-term considerations there is, indeed, reason for us in Britain to ask if our help to Russia is all that it might be. Self-reproach is in order—provided it leads to effective action in the future.

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We are not referring here to the Three-Power Conference in Moscow. That meeting was an outstanding success psychologically as well as materially. At last the Russians are beginning really to trust us. Our shortcoming arises from the fact that after two years of war we should —in spite of our great losses resulting from the fall of France—have more of machines and equipment now needed to support Russia and the means of getting them to the eastern front. That we have not is due to the slow and halting progress which we have made in organising the entire nation for total war. The tremendous scope and force of the blow—of succession of blows—which the Nazis have been able to strike at Soviet Russia have led to renewed questioning as to the source of Germany's military powers. The key to this problem is found in the close tie-up which the Germans have effected between the fighting forces and industry. The mass of Germans of military age have been trained both as military and industrial conscripts and the high degree of mechanisation in the Wehrmacht is paralleled by the concentration of industry on the production of war machines. The same German who drove (or repaired) a tank in the offensive against Poland probably spent most of the winter of 1939-40 in the factory somewhere in Germany making new tanks for the campaign on the western front the following spring. After the fall of France he returned again to the job of building tanks for the next big push. This practice was possibly not only because of the dual training which the young German received, and hence his interchangeability between factory and Panzer division, but also because the campaigns which the Nazis have launched have been limited to a brief period of time. In addition to the creation of their enormous dual purpose army, the Nazis had also begun, even before the outbreak of the war, to rationalise and coordinate the entire economic life of Germany and to curtail, if not to eliminate altogether, all commercial and economic enterprises which were not essential. Since the beginning of the war, this integration has been pushed a stage further and many smaller and inefficient industries producing supplies of war have been closed down and their workers transferred to larger and better organised concerns. At the same time, the training of the new soldier-worker has continued whilst more than a million war prisoners have been put to agricultural work and some one-and-half to two million foreign workers have been brought to Germany, many of them being little more than industrial slaves.

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On another aspect of the German home front a study of Nazi propaganda technique in their wireless announcements to the German people on the progress of the war reveals:—(1) The degree of regimentation of the German mind which the Nazis have (or think they have) achieved and (2) the manner in which Hitler's machine serves up politics for the masses with all the flourish and pomp of a Metro-Goldwyn Mayer motion picture. These special war announcements made over the German radio are classified according to their contents and importance. The tune of fanfare by which they are introduced indicates the country concerned. For instance, during the campaign against France, the German communiques were introduced by a bar from the old song of the Reich soldiers: "We are going to conquer France"; The campaign in the Balkans by a motif from another old song: "Prince Eugen" (Prince Eugen was the conqueror of Belgrade). Events in the fight against the British have been introduced by a 'motif' from a popular German song: "We are sailing against England"; whilst in the present campaign against Russia, the practice has been to introduce announcements with a bar from the Nazi Party anthem, the Horst-wessel song. A success of moderate importance is introduced by fanfare and drums and followed by the song. A great success is preceded by marching music for anything from five minutes to half-an-hour, then fanfares and drums and after the announcements come the National and Party anthems, marching songs, silence for three minutes, more martial tunes and perhaps a "solemn concert."

Although we think the B.B.C. news broadcasts, especially in the Home service, could be improved, we are not advocating any imitation of these German methods.

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Whilst the Russian theatre of war is naturally the first in our thoughts at the present time, the possibility of a fresh Japanese move in the Far East should not be overlooked. Reports which come to us suggest that German agents have renewed their activities in Tokyo and that the Japanese are ready to play the role which Italy played when the French were struggling to beat back the invading Germans. The Japanese forces on the Manchukuo-Siberian frontier have lately been considerably strengthened in the air as well as in the field. Japanese negotiations in Washington for a better understanding with the U.S.A. were doomed to fail, as the leaders in Tokyo well knew, and were simply an attempt to postpone America's co-operation with Britain and the Dutch East Indies in increasing the economic barriers against further Japanese aggression. There was never any question during the course of the negotiations of the American Government failing to see through Japanese tactics.

Frankly Speaking

U. S. Shipping Construction

Rear Admiral Land, Chairman of the United States Maritime Commission, was reported to have made a rather dramatic statement to the effect that American ship construction had caught up ton for ton with the sinking of Allied shipping which was six million tons a year. This statement, however, does not give an entirely accurate picture of the situation. It does not, that is to say, mean that the 12 million or more tons lost during the war have now been made good. The actual fact is that American construction which started only a year or so ago has now reached an annual rate of completion which is equivalent to six million tons. Henceforth German sinkings will not affect the total tonnage at Allied disposal and, will, in fact, be steadily losing in competition with American construction. But meanwhile the earlier loss of 10 or 12 million is bad enough. The British, too, have, of course, been constructing ships during the last two years and despite the Luftwaffe's destructive raids must have made this loss good by a million or two. The position, therefore, is that the present shipping situation is difficult but that the prospects are better.

New Abkari Act

The Governor of Bombay has enacted the Bombay Abkari (Second Amendment) Act, empowering the Government to issue orders in regard to all matters pertaining to the granting of licences and to revise the orders passed by Abkari officers. It also provides that all Abkari officers shall exercise their powers in accordance with such orders as the Government may from time to time issue. The Act has been rendered necessary because in a recent case the High Court held that under the present Act Government had no power to issue instructions to Abkari officers as to the manner in which they should exercise their powers under the Act. It is certainly desirable for Government to have the power to issue instructions to Abkari officers within the limits of the Abkari Act. It is to be hoped Government will use their powers rather to reduce the consumption of intoxicants than to increase it for the sake of revenue. The public will have to be vigilant regarding the way Government use their newly acquired powers.

Illicit Distillation

The Director of Information, Bombay, states that during the twelve months ending June 30 last there was illicit distillation "on a very large scale" in parts of the Thana and Kolaba districts where "the base for liquor is mostly molasses." The liquor, we are told, "was, of course, made mainly for consumption in the Bombay prohibition area and probably forms only a small percentage of the liquor distilled in those districts". It may be as probable that there is much exaggeration in what may be, after all, anti-prohibition propaganda. As distillation for the purpose of smuggling liquor into Bombay must be in the adjoining areas and, therefore, within narrow limits, it should be possible for the Abkari police, if they are earnest enough and endeavour to enlist the co-operation of the public, to prevent much of the prevailing distillation. Much of the wasted effort of C.I.D. men, ceaselessly watching the most innocent of men and events, may well be utilised for the purpose of detecting illicit distillation. It is up to the people also to detect and expose such activities. Finally, if molasses are utilised for the production of power alcohol, there will be less scope for illicit distillation of liquor.

Arthur Moore Protests

Transfer Of Control Of Reuters And Fate Of A. P. Of India

CALCUTTA, Oct. 23.

On the proposed transfer of shares in Reuters to the Newspaper Proprietors' Association of London the following telegrams were to-day despatched to Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, by Mr. Arthur Moore, Chairman of the India, Burma and Ceylon Section of the Empire Press Union and President of the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society:—

To Rt. Hon. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, London.

"On behalf India, Burma and Ceylon section of Empire Press Union, I urge necessity postponing proposed transfer P.A. interest in Reuter to N.P.A. till Empire interests been consulted. That newspapers should have say in controlling news agencies which serve them is admitted principle but that newspaper proprietors in one capital should control foreign news services of newspapers in other countries is inadmissible. Existing contracts with Reuters would require revision and early remedy would have to be sought.

ARTHUR MOORE,
Chairman."

WHAT ABOUT A.P.?

"On behalf of Indian Eastern Newspaper Society I desire urgently to make same representation as have sent you on behalf Empire Press Union. Reuters previously had discussions with us on agreed principle that newspapers should have proprietorial interest in agencies serving them, this would mean press in India should have interest in Reuters services to India and internal news agency Associated Press, which Reuter also owns. We should view with dismay this possibility being finally removed as also any transfer of Indian Associated Press to London P.A.

ARTHUR MOORE,
President,
Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society,
New Delhi."

—A.P.

ALL OUT AID TO RUSSIA

Beaverbrook's Assurance To House Of Lords

LONDON, Oct. 23.

The House of Lords to-day (Thursday) unanimously passed a resolution expressing admiration for "the heroic resistance of their Russian ally". After Lord Beaverbrook had told the Peers that Britain and the United States had promised M. Stalin that they would immediately restore Russia's material losses from British and American supplies. "Russia's position is grave, but in many respects, it does not differ from that confronting us in 1940", said Lord Beaverbrook "and for my part, I believe that the Russians will be able to reconstruct their industrial resources, just as we have achieved that result under the Prime Minister's leadership".

PROMISE TO STALIN

Referring to his and Mr. Averell Harriman's visit to Moscow and the Russian losses in tanks and aircraft Lord Beaverbrook said "We have promised Stalin we would immediately restore those losses from supplies in this country and America. What we have promised in tanks and aircraft were what M. Stalin asked for—absolute figures. There was no cutting down, no hesitation, no reserve. M. Stalin told us that he was determined to ask only for goods, he urgently required.

We were able to supply Russia with what they wanted in aluminium, copper, lead, zinc, tin, cobalt, brass, jute, wool, parchment, dyes and shellac. The Americans promised to keep his oil and petrol reserves up to a figure ample for his purpose".

Lord Beaverbrook said that the Prime Minister had wired him on his ship on its way home "we have not lost an hour in making good your undertaking". Lord Beaverbrook continued "Everything we promised for October was being duly shipped and sent forward before I returned to this country. Transportation is the biggest thing confronting us. The Prime Minister has already ordered the necessary locomotives and rolling-stock and reequipment of the Persian railway. Britain is shipping to Russia large quantities of sugar which the Food Minister had given, so that the Russians might have some immediate assistance". Lord Beaverbrook added that he had a letter from the present British Purchasing Commission in the United States saying "All United States promises are being fulfilled". "The burden on our production is very heavy, and we have given more than some would approve."

TANK PROGRAMME

Lord Beaverbrook continued. "I expect to carry...through a tank programme that will not leave us entirely bare here, but the burden of heavy and machine tool output must also be increased. When the task is finished, when you have given us a stock of munitions the work people must be prepared to take up weapons to defend the country, for when the time comes in Britain as it surely will, the whole population will be involved, just as the whole population is involved in the defence of the Russian capital. We must be ready for an invasion from now forward. I have faith in Russia. I believe in Russian defence, but if the enemy is even successful in Russia, then for certainty, dark terror will inflict its horrors upon our people".

The Marquess of Crewe (Liberal), the Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Cecil of Chelwood participated in the debate.

Lord Davis (Liberal) said "In some quarters, there is a feeling of uneasiness that we are not doing all we might do to help our Russian Allies. Leaving aside the question of an invasion in West Europe, there are two thousand miles of coastline held by the enemy, and many of us do not understand why there is not a large scale operation of harrying this coastline and carrying out tip and run tactics the cumulative results of which might be important."

The resolution moved by Lord Addison was carried unanimously. —Reuter.

DEPUTY MAYOR FATALLY STABBED

Outrage while Leaving Municipal Office

COLOMBO, Oct. 21.

Mr. E. De S. Wijayaratne, the Deputy Mayor of Galle, died in hospital to-day as a result of stab wounds. In his dying declaration he stated that he was stabbed from behind yesterday in daylight as he was leaving the Municipal office.

The police have taken a man into custody in connection with this incident and have taken special precautions in Galle to prevent further trouble. A. P.

PUNJAB SOCIALIST CONFERENCE

Faridul Ansari To Preside Over Gujranwala Session

LAHORE, Oct. 23.

Arrangements are being made to hold an All Punjab Socialist Conference at Gujranwala in November.

Mr. Faridul Haq Ansari, a member of the All-India Congress Socialist party will preside.

Among those who are expected to attend the conference include Acharya Narendra Dev, Mrs. Kamladevi Chatopadhyaya and Srimati Satyavati.—A. P.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT...

"I am not going to accept the suggestion that the Newspaper Proprietors' Association is unpatriotic and villainous. I was a member of this Association before I assumed my present office."

—The Minister of Information, the Right Honourable Brendan Bracken in Parliament.

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Launching a 'Corvette' given by the Nizam again Mr. Amery recalled "the imuerishable glory" of Indian troops sent to Egypt and Sudan.

But, of course, he need not recall, since he always remembers, the incorrigible incapacity of Indians when sent to the polling booths.

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A New Delhi message suggests that the Muslim League Party in the Central Legislature will shortly consider, among other things, "whether to boycott the session and, if so, for how long."

How funny!

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Speaking on Reuter's debate, Minister Brendan Bracken "hoped that at some time or other someone would put up the other point of view which they had not heard to-day".

His appeal was widely responded to by the echo of his own voice.

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A British warship is reported to have bombarded Axis artillery position east of Tobruk.

Waking up? Amen.

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According to a Milan report there is a general impression in Italy that a big operation is imminent in Libya on either British or Axis initiative.

Our hunch that it may be the latter is supported by the arrival in the Axis camp of (1) camels and (2) 19 year old "Young Fascists".

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Apropos of the Washington talks, Japanese newspapers have now suddenly started proclaiming that "Japan does not desire to continue useless negotiations, which is just waste of time and effort".

Good, we are almost relieved.

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Berlin has permitted neutral correspondents to say that the Urals are the German objective now.

If Moscow refuses to fall for another week or so the German objective will advance into Siberia.

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The Italians have announced that Naples was recently raided by the R. A. F. for five hours in five waves.

We fully accept the truth, but entirely fail to understand the cause, of this admission.

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The Doctor (to patient): You go to your druggist and ask him for some Iodhydrargyrate of Iodide of potassium, some Ankydroglucochloral and some dioxyamidoarsenobenzol—and I should not be surprised if with those we shall be able to triumph over your loss of memory.

HIGH COURT WON'T INTERFERE

Magisterial Ban And Civil Liberties Under Tension Conditions

MADRAS, Oct. 23.

"Under the circumstances and conditions that existed in Nellore, it would be dangerous to interfere with the discretion of the magistracy in their attempts to restore peace and order," observed Mr. Justice Horwill, dismissing a petition in the High Court to-day filed by Mr. K. Adisesha Reddi, President of the Nellore Civil Liberties Union, against the order of the District Magistrate, Nellore, issued under Sec. 144 Cr. P.C. prohibiting the petitioner and the public from taking out processions with music in streets and thoroughfares in which there were mosques within Nellore Municipal limits for a period of two months.

On behalf of the petitioner it was argued that it was the duty of the executive authority in Nellore to give adequate protection to the Hindus in exercising their civil rights established in court.

His lordship in his order rejecting the petition stated that in normal times he would certainly accept the argument that the magistracy should protect those persons who exercised their civil rights; but in the present case, in view of the communal tension existing in Nellore, it was dangerous to interfere with the discretion of the magistracy.—A.P.

HOMOEOPATHIC GENERAL HOSPITAL FOR BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Oct. 23.

Bombay city is to have its first homoeopathic general hospital very shortly.

The Governing Board of the proposed hospital has decided that the hospital should be opened at Nilam Mansion, Lamington Road, Bombay, on Thursday, Oct 30.

Mr. G. W. McElhinny, Collector of Bombay, has been invited to perform the opening ceremony.

BATTLE FOR CRIMEA

Enemy Troops Concentrate On Isthmus

MOSCOW, Oct. 22.

Soviet midnight 'communique' says: "During October 22 our troops fought the enemy along the whole front. After many days of stubborn fighting, when the enemy lost 35,000 killed and wounded, our troops left Taganrog". On October 21, 34 German planes were destroyed. We lost eight planes.

Seventeen enemy planes were brought down near Moscow on October 21, and 14 on October 22.

The Russian evacuation of Taganrog on the Sea of Azov was announced in the midnight Soviet 'communique'.

Earlier the Soviet official news agency had described the situation in this area as "extremely grave", adding "only the greatest forts of defence can hold back the enemy and stock the offensive."

FIERCE BATTLES AT CRIMEA APPROACHES

LONDON, Oct. 23.

Moscow radio quoting dispatches to the Soviet press states that the Germans have launched a fierce offensive at the approaches to the Crimea during the night and that great battles are now raging there. The attack was preceded by long artillery preparation and air bombing.

A Red army unit is putting up strong resistance and is inflicting heavy blows on the enemy, but despite heavy losses the Germans have succeeded in pressing Soviet troops back.

BATTLE FOR CRIMEA

CRIMEA.—During the last few days, says the Moscow radio, the German and Rumanian army have concentrated large forces on the Crimea Isthmus. Describing the defences of the Crimea, the radio continues: "The Crimea is on the watch. In the villages and towns and in the spas there are troops everywhere. Heavy guns are mounted on rocks in the most unexpected places. The approaches to towns bristle with artillery and barbed wire, and there are innumerable anti-tank ditches. Every night sometimes several times during the night, German aeroplanes raid Sebastopol Harbour. In Simferopol Wherch and Theodosia protected by mountains the people's militia await battle. During the night lorries rumble along the road with infantry, artillery and tanks. Serious battles for the Crimea are starting."

5,000 ENEMY TROOPS KILLED.

LONDON.—Five thousand Germans and Rumanians were killed in one phase of the new German offensive against the Crimea according to the Moscow radio.

Heavy Fighting In Central Sector

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bers of enemy soldiers in addition to 100 aircraft wrecked in air combat or on aerodromes.

BAD WEATHER CONTINUES

News from Russia in authoritative circles in London to-day was of continued heavy fighting in the Central Sector without any marked territorial movement. The weather in the Central Sector continues to be bad. There has been rain or snow in daytime followed by severe frost at night. Further south, the German thrust towards Kharkov continues to be held up. There is heavy fighting on the Perekop Isthmus. The weather in the south is reported to be rainy.

Four days ago, it was officially announced in Moscow that General Zhukov, former Soviet Chief of Staff had been placed in supreme command of the Russian defence forces operating between 60 and 75 miles from Moscow.—Reuter.

38 MILES TO MOSCOW? Nazi High Commands' Claim

BERLIN, Oct. 23.

A German High Command "communique" states:—"Despite bad weather conditions, the outer defences of the Soviet Capital have been broken through in the last few days from the south-west and west on a broad front. Our spearheads have fought their way at some points to thirty-eight miles from Moscow." The "communique" also claims that Moscow was heavily bombed last night.—Reuter.

More Italian And Rumanian Troops

MOSCOW, Oct. 23.

Fighting on the approaches to the Donetz Basin has attained a high intensity The enemy has lost about 10,000 men, hundreds of tanks and great quantities of other armaments. Fresh forces of Italian, Hungarian and Rumanian troops are being massed in this sector. These facts are reported by the War Correspondent of the Government newspaper "Izvestia" this afternoon (Thursday) 3,000 Germans have also been killed or wounded in fierce fighting for Kalinin which has been going on for eight days, according to the same correspondent.—Reuter.

CRETAN METHODS IN CRIMEA?

Thrust Towards Don Basin And Caucasus

LONDON, Oct. 23.

The following is the military commentary by "Annalist". Fighting would appear to have flared up furiously along the whole eastern front according to the latest "communiques".

The latest report states that here is rain and snow by day and frost by night; winter cannot be said to have started properly however.

In the south, the Russians claim to be holding up the German thrust eastward from Taganrog and do not admit the loss of Stalino. Certainly the Germans do not appear to have got near Rostov and Kharkov. Meanwhile however, they have renewed the attack upon the Crimea on a largescale. Their advance forces have made some progress across the Perekop Isthmus reaching the Yushin narrows at its south-eastern extremity. Obviously, the Russian defences will be at their strongest where the neck broadens out into the peninsula, as they will be able to concentrate their fire from a wide front upon the narrow approaches.

It is probable that the Germans will endeavour to adopt the methods which gave them victory in Crete and will make full use of their parachute and airborne troops. The Russians however are forewarned and enjoy the command of the sea, so that they can easily supply or even reinforce their garrison. Sebastapol is a great stronghold and should not be too vulnerable even to dive bombing. For all these reasons, the Crimea should prove a difficult nut to crack. The fact that the Germans are now making the attempt suggests that they intend to persist in their thrust towards the Don Basin and possibly even the Caucasus. They cannot therefore afford to allow the Russians to remain in possession of this stronghold upon their flank, where it might play the part of a super-Tobruk.—Reuter.

U. S. AID TO RUSSIA

Will Move Through Port Of Boston From Oct. 28

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.

From October 28 all aid to Russia will be moved through the port of Boston, according to an announcement by the Maritime commission.

The army base pier at Boston will be the assembly point for materials.

The Commission stated this plan has been adopted in order to make greater use of the facilities at the various ports and prevent possible congregation. The action is taken because of the constantly increasing volume of materials essential to Russia's defence efforts, stated the Commission.

While there has been no amplification of the announcement it was thought that most shipments to the Soviet would move across the north Atlantic with Archangel as the probable destination

It is understood that the order does not apply to oil shipments which have been going across the Pacific.—Reuter.

7 Enemy Ships Captured In Persian Gulf

MELBOURNE, October 22.

Seven enemy vessels have been captured in the Persian Gulf by the Australian sloop "Yarra" and the armed merchant cruiser, 'Kanimbla," according to an announcement of the Australian Navy.

They were taken on August 27, and have now arrived in India, four of the prizes in two and three under their own power.

The operations were undertaken when the Nazi infiltration into Iran became dangerous. The "Kanimbla" was formerly an Australian coastal liner and is now manned by Australian ratings.—Reuter.

ADVANCE TO RUSSIA FOR WAR MATERIALS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.

Mr. Jesse Jones, Federal Loan Administrator, has made a further advance of two million pounds to Russia to buy guns, munitions and other war materials in the United States.—Reuter.

48-Hour Curfew In Dacca

50 Injured In Clash During Procession

DACCA, Oct. 23.

Two more persons were stabbed in the city this morning.

Shops, most of which had reopened about the end of last week on gradual improvement in the communal situation, closed again this morning, following last night's incidents in Sutrapur area.

The District Magistrate has promulgated order under Sec. 144 Cr. P.C. enforcing Curfew in certain places under Sutrapur police station for 48 hours, beginning from 2 p.m. to-day and ending at 2 p.m. on October 25, prohibiting all persons from loitering or remaining in public places or streets in the specified areas.

By another order, issued under Sec. 144 Cr. P.C., the District Magistrate has directed the owners or occupiers of all residential houses or business premises, within the same police station, to hang up on the inside portion of the front door of their premises or part thereof names of all male members in the premises, between the ages of 14 and 60.

Permission has been granted for the taking out of the "Id-ul-Fitr" procession between 7 and 11 p.m. to-day outside Sutrapur area.

The communal situation in the city took a turn for worse towards the close of the day to-day. About fifty persons were injured in a clash which occurred in the evening, while the Id procession was passing along its route. A number of shops were looted and brick-bats were used by the mob on either side.—A.P.

Self-Governed Burma Will Achieve More

LONDON, Oct. 22.

The Hon. Mr. U Saw, Prime Minister of Burma, was entertained to luncheon to-day by the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association.

Mr. Amery, Secretary of State for India and Burma, Viscount Caldecote, Lord Chief Justice, and Sir Archibald Cochrane, recently Governor of Burma, were among those present.

Mr. Amery later presided at a meeting of members at the House of Commons at which the Hon. Mr. U Saw gave an address on "Burma After Separation From India".

He dealt with the plight in which the peasantry found themselves after the depression of 1929 and interestingly outlined the legislation passed to restore their holdings and to ensure more satisfactory tenancy with special provision to prevent land in future passing from agriculturists to non-agriculturists.

He expressed pleasure with the satisfactory working of the new tariff arrangement, and said that he entertained a strong hope that a more equitable system of migration from India would soon apply to the Chinese from negotiations now in progress with China.

INTERESTING HISTORY

U Saw also touched on the interesting history of Burma road along which military supplies were reaching China. Its construction had been a means of increasing contact between the Chinese and the Burmese.

In spite of the war, Burma had progressed a good deal and one particularly good effect was the way it furnished her with an opportunity of organising her own defence forces.

He suggested that all these achievements afforded an earnest picture of what Burma could and would do when she became a self-governing dominion.—Reuter.

MASON-MARTYR CASE

British Protest To Japan

LONDON, Oct. 23.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden, said that Sir Robert Cragie, British Ambassador in Tokyo has made strong and repeated protests against the refusal of the Japanese authorities to disclose the nature of the charges against Messrs. Mason and Martyr or allow the British Consul to visit them.

Messrs. Mason and Martyr were arrested by the Japanese in Tokyo recently under the recently amended Japanese Defence Law.

Mr. Eden added that he had instructed the Ambassador Sir R. Cragie to take up the matter with the new Japanese Government and press energetically for the release of the two men.

The bad treatment of the survivors of British ships who have landed on the west coast of Africa is receiving the attention of the British Government, Mr. Eden, Foreign Secretary, said that the matter had been taken up with the French High Commissioner at Dakar and the United States Consul there was making enquiries on Britain's behalf.

ARMY AND AIR FORCE TRAINING IN INDIA

Questioned by Major Lyons with regard to the establishment of Army and Air Force Training Schools for Fitters in India, Mr. Amery replied that he had asked for a report on the subject from the Government of India. He knew that such schools had been established. He was confident that both the Commander-in-Chief and the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief in India had taken a long view and were making the fullest use of the resources available.—Reuter.

BOMBERS FOR FOOD

Italian Offer To Turkey: Nazi Failure To Supply Heinkel Spare Parts

ANKARA, Oct. 23.

A consignment of spare parts for Heinkel aircraft engines has just been received by Turkey. They came not from Germany, but from England. Months ago the Turks asked the Germans for these spare parts, but the Germans said they were unable to deliver.

Learning this refusal the British stepped in and offered to deliver spare parts collected from German planes brought down in the United Kingdom. The offer was gratefully accepted.

Even during their Trade Pact talks with the Turks the Germans said they were unable to deliver such parts, thus suggesting either shortage of aviation equipment in Germany or that German plants are working on new models.

A story is circulating here that Italy offered the Turks bombers in exchange for food, but since the Turks are now obtaining modern American machines such as Tomohawks in addition to proved British types, they would not be attracted by any such Italian offer. —Reuter.

'IMPERISHABLE GLORY' OF INDIAN TROOPS

LONDON, Oct. 22.

Speaking at the launching of the corvette "H.M.S. Hyderabad", given to the Royal Navy by the Nizam of Hyderabad, the Secretary of State for India Mr. L. S. Amery said, the designation "Faithful Ally" conferred on the Nizam in the last war, represented a relationship between the Indian State and Britain nearly two centuries old.

Apart from his numerous war gifts (the Nizam had recently donated a fighter squadron for the defence of Britain), the Nizam had placed his palaces at Delhi and Bombay at the disposal of the forces for military purposes or convalescent homes.

Mr. Amery recalled the "imperishable glory" of the Indian troops sent to Egypt and the Sudan.

It was an Indian detachment that first thwarted the usurper Premier of Iraq.

It was largely the Indian forces that helped to clear Syria and open the way through Persia to aid Britain's Russian Allies, said Mr. Amery.—Reuter.

"American First Committee" Demands Constitutional Decision On War Issue

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.

The "American First Committee" in an open letter has asked President Roosevelt to settle the issue of peace or war by submitting to Congress a "resolution for the declaration of a state of war between the United States and the German Reich."

The Committee declares that it will vigorously oppose the adoption of such a resolution, but maintains that the "integrity of this nation and loyalty to the Constitution demand that the decision of peace or war now be made by Congress."

If Congress votes for a declaration of war the constitutional voice of the people will have spoken and the Committee and all other patriotic Americans will respect the decision", the letter adds.—Reuter.

Mahasabha Protest Against Ban

LUCKNOW, Oct. 23.

The Provincial Hindu Sabha conference which was to be held here on 26th instant under the presidency of Dr Shyama Prasad Mukerjee has been abandoned, in view of the Government's ban on the presidential procession arranged in this connection.

A decision to this effect was taken at an emergent meeting of the Provincial Hindu Sabha Executive which met under the presidency of Dr. Sir J. P. Srivastava to-day. A protest meeting will be held, instead, on that date to voice the 'indignation of the Hindus' against what they termed 'unjustifiable interference on the part of the Government'.—A. P.

Nicaragua Ban On Ex-President Of Panama

SAN JOSE (Costa Rica), Oct. 23.

A sensation was caused here by the refusal of the Nicaraguan Government to permit Arnulfo Arias, ex-President of Panama, to return to San Jose.

Having accepted the condition of residence that he will not engage in political activities in Costa Rica, a special plane left at his request for Managua to bring him here. The Nicaraguan Government refused to permit his departure however.

Public opinion here believes that M. Arias' permanent residence in this country would have been detrimental to the good relations existing between the Panamanian and the Costa Rican Governments.—Reuter.

Jap Forces Moving Towards Thai Frontier

BANGKOK, Oct. 23.

Japanese troops have moved from Hanoi and southern Indo-China to frontier stations on the French side of the Mekong River and are occupying a main strategic road allowing only military traffic on this highway, according to the Thai newspaper "Supaburus."

Another Thai newspaper "Srikrung" says Japanese forces have been despatched from Saigon to Pnompenh, Kampongthong and Siemreap all of which are in close proximity to the Thai frontier.

The newspaper believes that the Japanese may construct a military base at Pnompenh.

New Japanese Premier's Statement Commended To U. S.

TOKIO, Oct. 23.

"If it is necessary to fight America to safeguard its own state, Japan will not hesitate to defend its own people and its interests—awful though even the thought of such a holocaust is," declared the "Japan Times and Advertiser" which reflects the views of the Japanese Foreign Office, in its editorial on Thursday.

"Japan will brook no threat or intimidation, no encirclement or blockade, or other act of, or near, war," the paper continues, adding that the new Government under General Tojo has frankly stated that peace is its policy so that it is "all the more necessary for United States as leader of Democratic nations to deliberate upon this splendid occasion for reciprocity."

The paper concludes "this is the last chance to use the only vehicle leading to world harmony—Japan, for Japan is the balancing power whose decision can plunge the Pacific Ocean into chaos".—Reuter.

Portuguese Justification Of Agreement With Japan

LISBON, Oct. 23.

A wrong interpretation has been placed by some foreign newspapers on the conclusion of the accord whereby Japan is to operate an air line between Palao and Delli (Portuguese Timor), according to an official Note from the Portuguese Minister of Foreign Affairs published on Wednesday night.

This stated that the talks leading to the accord were begun a long time ago by Japan and carried on by Portugal since July, 1940. They had always been held in a spirit of cordiality befitting old relations between the two countries.

Portugal aims at the development of mail and passenger air lines between Portuguese territories and foreign countries as already established with Britain, France, Spain, Italy, Germany, the United States and South Africa.—Reuter.

'Anzac' Attitude To Pacific Problems

MELBOURNE, Oct. 23.

The general relation of the Australian and New Zealand Governments with regard to Pacific problems was discussed in detail on Thursday by the Australian Advisory War Council, declared the Prime Minister, Mr. Curtin, after the meeting. The supplies of two Dominions and Australia's Eastern Supply Group commitments were also debated.—Reuter.

India May Become Ireland, Warns Schuster

LONDON, Oct. 23.

That there is a danger of the Indian situation deteriorating was suggested by Sir George Schuster, Member of Parliament, addressing Oxford University Conservatives on Wednesday.

"We might be faced with a position analogous to that of Ireland, but immensely more difficult", he said.

After the war a settlement would have to be made with Indian leaders. At the moment, however, he wanted to see a small committee trying behind closed doors to "hammer out" some basis of agreement.

If we could put the matter in the hands of men who have been in the provincial governments in India and who would realise the size of the task, he believed it would be possible to reach an agreement.

Provincial Government members could do much that we "as aliens" could not.—Reuter.

AMERICAN BOAT TORPEDOED.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.

Later reports received by maritime circles in New York state that the American owned tanker "Wo Teagle" was torpedoed late last week, while on her way to England in convoy.—Reuter.

REYJAVIKS, Oct. 23.

The Icelandic Government which resigned yesterday (Wednesday) was a coalition of three major parties. Its position was found untenable by disagreement over its policy towards the rise in the cost of living, due to war conditions.—Reuter.

NEW YORK COTTON 31 POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES.

MARCH

New York: October 23.

Previous closing	16.53
To-day's opening	16.57
Difference	+4
To-day's closing	16.84
Difference	+31

BROACH EXPECTATION.

Broach April/May ..... Rs. 221

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York: October 23

New York cotton displayed some activity following increased trade support, but the general interest was slow.

Trading in March began at 16.57, i.e., four points higher than the last closing Prices improved on stray support and local buying. Operations were awaiting developments in Washington.

Following are the New York opening ranges:—

December (16.34/34) 16.28/28
March (16.61/61) 16.58/57
May (16.77/77) 16.69/69

LONDON COMMODITIES.

London: October 23.

SEEDS

Castorseeds October/November (£19 3/4 quoted) £19 3/4 quoted

Linseed Bombay Calcutta October/November (£19 1/2 quoted) £19 1/2 quoted

Linseed La Plata October/November (£12 3/4 quoted) £12 3/4 quoted

Groundnut Coromandal Coast October/November (£18 quoted) £18 quoted

JUTES

Dundee October/November unquoted
Lightning October/November unquoted

RUBBER

Spot (13 11/16d buyers) 13 3/4d nominal.
Forward (13 11/16d buyers) 13 3/4d nominal

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES.

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York: October 23.

Previous closing	4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.04 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London: October 23.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON BULLION.

LONDON GOLD

London: October 23.

London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0

LONDON SILVER

London: October 23.

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil.
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36
London on Shanghai (0-2 27/32 to 0-3 3/16) 0-2 27/32 to 0-3 3/16
London on Kobe not quoted.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

BULLION AND SEEDS

Bombay: October 23.

There was no trading during night session.

LONDON METALS

Tin (£255 3/4 buyers; £256 sellers. Quiet) £255 3/4 buyers; £256 sellers. Quiet.
Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 2 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

3 1/2 PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London: October 23.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

London: October 23.

5 per cent 1958/68 £104 3/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols £82 5/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £106 7/16
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £99 7/8
4 per cent Funding Loan £114 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £106 1/2
New York Loan £101 3/8
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds 113 3/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 15-9
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 35-10
Electric Music Industry 12-4
Frinchin Johnson 22-4
Imperial Chemical 32-9
Woolsworth New Ordinary 58-3
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates £66 1/8
Dundee 36-4
Unilever Ordinary 26-10
Ford Motors 24
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £66 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary £4 21/32
Carreas 'A' £5 11/32
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £6
P and O Def 27-7
Distillers 67-3
Bredfords Dye 6-7
British Celanese 5-0
J and P Coates 37-1
Courtaulds Ordinary 33-0
Fine Cotton Spinners 4-3
Vickers Limited Ordinary 16-9
Inter Nickel dol 41
Indian Iron 47-6

TEA SHARES

Assam Company 18-1
Donaro Tea 30-0
Empire of India 20-0

JUTE

Barnagore £7

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber 17-3
Sua Kelampong 15-7
Rubber Plant Inv. Trust 28-4

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 15-10
Burma Corporation 6-6
Rio Tintos £5
East Rand Properties £2 5/32
Rand Mines £7

MINE SHARES

Crown £10 3/8
Associated Portland Cement 50-7
Trinidad Leasehold 66-3
Sub Nigel £7 1/16
Spring Mines Split Shares £1 3/32
Union Corporation 147-6

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 32-6
Anglo India 38-1
Burma Oil £2 31/32
Mexican Eagle 12-1
Shell Transport £2 5/8
Royal Dutch £25

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £40
London Midland Ordinary £15 1/4
London North Eastern Def £1 11/16
London Southern Defd £13 1/2
London Transport 5 per cent £123 1/8
London Transport £39

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

New York: October 23.

General Motors dol. 39 3/8
Anaconda Copper Minings dol 26 1/8
U S Steel Common dol 52 3/4
U S Steel Preference unquoted.

Dhanbad Coal Deadlock

Holding Of Meetings And Carrying Of Lethal Weapons Banned

DHANBAD, Oct. 23.

The holding of meetings within a radius of one mile from the Kustore Colliery has been prohibited by an order issued under section 144 Cr. P. C.

A labour strike is in progress in the Kustore colliery from Oct. 1, and the management have already notified their intention to close the mines 'sine die'. For the last three days, tension is prevailing in the area, as strikers and non-strikers have been holding rival meetings.

A similiar order prohibiting carrying of lathis and other weapons was promulgated in the area in the early days of the strike. Elaborate police arrangements have been made to cope with any emergency.—A. P.

Protest To Railway Board

DHANBAD, Oct. 23.

The Indian Colliery Owners Association has sent a representation by telegraph to the Railway Board protesting against the decision of the Board to suspend reserving three days in a week for public supplies and against the proposal for the appointment of a coal Transportation Officer.—A. P.

JINNAH UNFURLS LEAGUE FLAG

Reaffirm "That We Stand For Pakistan"

NEW DELHI, Oct. 23.

"I want you on this holy day of 'Id' to re-affirm under the banner of the Muslim League with all the enthusiasm we command that we stand for Pakistan, and Pakistan alone," observed Mr M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, unfurling the Muslim League flag at the Urdu Park before a large gathering this evening.

Mr. Jinnah asserted that with unity and discipline he was confident that they would acquire a place in India where they could honourably live and retain their culture.

Referring to the Bombay resolution of the Muslim League on the expansion of H. E. the Viceroy's Executive Council and the constitution of the National Defence Council Mr. Jinnah said that people had attributed that to him as his personal triumph, but, he said, the Bombay resolution would serve as an eye-opener and a lesson to those who wanted to create disruption in the ranks of the Muslim League.—United Press.

Hippius Wins Championship Stakes

NEW MARKET, Oct. 23.

The second day's racing opened unfortunately when the King's horse "Channelswell" fell in the opening race bringing down two others.

Souten apprentice rider of "Channelswell" broke his leg. D. Smith another jockey badly cut his head and mouth while the third rider Evans escaped injury.

The day's programme included the Champion Stakes which attracted only five runners. Hippius, ridden by E. P. Smith starting 6/4 favourite won by a length from Devonian 5/1 with Fettes 9/4 half a length away third. Hippius won the Champion Stakes last year after the disqualification of Stardust.—Reuter.

Madras Share Market

Madras: October 23.

The market opened quietly steady due to prevailing holidays. There was no accumulation of orders and business was to a certain extent restricted.

Transactions reported from 12 noon on Tuesday to 12 noon to-day were as under:—

Indo-Commercial Bank B 21/8, Indian Bank 145, Indian Bank 65, Radhakrishnas 165/8, Coimbatore Corron 13/8, Vasantha Ordinary 140, Malabar Spinning and Weaving 205, Rajalakshmy 72/8, Sitaram 87, Cambodia 10/10, Cochin Malabar ordy 9, 9/2 c-d, Midlands 7/12, Pringfords 9/8, Peermaade 31, 31/8, Ouchterloney Valley ordy 3/1/6, Tropicals 22/4, 22/3, Udayagiri 8/2 8/2 ex-d Periakarmalai 19/4, Ayer Manis ordy 11/12, Thirumbadi Stock 2/4, Cochin State Power 8/15, Salem Erode Electrics 15/6, Karaikal Electrics 44/8, South Arcot Electric ordy 102, Jeypore Sugar Preference 121 c-d s l, Jeypore Sugar 6 cum Preference 117/8 ex-d, India Sugar ordy 11, Singareni Collieries 11/4, India Nuts 2/13, Spencers ordy 6, Spencers P 8/8 cum, Preference, 10/14, Brantons 11/8, 11/8, Mysore Lamp Works 4/8.

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A GHOST Comes To BOMBAY!

in the next Sunday Edition of

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P. S.—There is something about an Indian John Doe on "THE LAST PAGE."

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The Half-Column By "Dim"

While at a friend's house in Poona, I chanced to lay hands on a pale green pamphlet entitled "Sir Govind Madgavkar's address to the Law College, Poona". It was the sort of pamphlet which one expects will be dull and monotonous. So I flung it aside. Later in the day I saw it again and out of sheer curiousity picked it up and turned over the pages. I found to my great amazement that it contained most brilliant reading matter Sir Govind revealed himself as a man of great polish and culture. Well-read, with a broad outlook on life Sir Govind delivered as early as September 1939 the type of address which would honour the convocations of the best of our Universities and my surprise was that such a fine old gentleman should not have been asked to speak in Bombay often and that he had not hitherto graced the University with his presence on some of the more official functions.

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In this lecture to the Poona Law College, Sir Govind gives a masterly review of international affairs and he reveals to my great surprise an intimate knowledge of the books of Douglass Reed, the other journalists and such books as Mein Kampf. He looks upon the world's events as an impartial historian of the future will or ought to look at them. He discusses questions of moral rights and wrongs and what the verdict of history will be on those nations who have played a predominant part in world affairs during the last few years. He discusses the policies of France, England, Germany and Russia. He discusses what is so important to every Indian—"our rulers' feelings towards us."

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Says Sir Govind: "The impartial historian of the future and the sensible Indian will probably prefer, to proclamations and speeches for our edification, thoughts expressed by Englishmen for and among themselves. For instance, in a book called "The English Genius", to which distinguished Englishmen in various walks of life have contributed, Major-General Fuller writes as follows: 'The Englishman divides humanity into two classes, Englishmen and niggers, and of the second class some happen to be black and others white. He only condescends to differentiate between these sub-classes by calling the later dagoes..... Having nothing to learn through sheer power of domination he has become the prince of rulers, and through sheer refusal to be defeated by niggers, the master of improvisation.' He is always there; for the sun never sets on his empire, but he is never ready, for readiness would presuppose fear, and what was he, as an Englishman to be afraid of."

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To have found this quotation is for a man great achievement and reveals how closely Sir Govind reads the books which are representative of the age in which we live, and the feelings of those with whom we have to live. Sir Govind gives us another beautiful extract. This time from Churchill on the Government of India Act of 1935: Churchill called it "a gigantic quilt of jumbled crochet-work. There is no theme; there is no pattern; there is no argument; there is no courage. It is a monstrous monument of sham built by pigmies." And to think that with all the Churchill's contempt for that Act, Churchill has nothing better to offer!! These are random extracts I was able to take down while glancing through this pamphlet. I wish I could have read more of it.

FED UP,
nothing to do?
GREEN'S TERRACE

THREE FOREIGN FILMS RUN FOR TWO WEEKS

Jeffrey Lynn and Kaareen Verne in 'Underground' at Metro.

Gary Cooper and James Gleason in 'Meet John Doe' at Eros in second week.

Refugees From Holland And Germany As Stars

Warner Brothers' 'Underground' At Metro

Underground rebellion against brutal oppression has been used as background for one of the most exciting films to come from Hollywood Warner Bros.' "Underground" which comes to Metro from Friday (to-day.)

True happenings were brought to light revealing just how the revolutionaries operate. Most ingenious is the one chosen for the theme of "Underground."

It is the illegal radio, which broadcasts the truth to the nation. Members of the group occupied with this work are in constant danger of their lives. Government locators can quickly spot them. Therefore, they are constantly shifted around from one outlying territory to another.

The film tells of brother pitted against brother, neighbour against neighbour and the strange kinds of love that are born in lands where people are afraid to talk and think.

Jeffrey Lynn is starred in this exciting expose of the underground movement that is working to overthrow the strangle hold of the dictators. It is a story of courageous and fearless young men and women who daily risk their lives to operate the forbidden short wave radio that is their most potent weapon. Such dangerous and far-reaching work can only be carried on because of sympathizers throughout the whole government structure.

Against this exciting background "Underground" tells a tale that is all the more compelling because it is taken straight from life.

Jeffrey Lynn has an opportunity to show his dramatic talent, as does Mona Maris, glamorous South American star. In the cast are a number of refugees in U.S.A. who are being introduced in "Underground." Philip Dorn is from Holland and lovely Kaaren Verne, is from Germany.

"BIRD OF PARADISE" AT CAPITOL

"Bird of Paradise" which comes to the Capitol on Friday is perhaps one of the best known plays ever produced. The pathetic romance of Luana, as a child of nature, who falls in love with a white man, and as hopelessly sacrifices her love required a setting in sympathy with the sublime character of her heroism.

SUNDAY SHOW AT CAPITOL.
"Follow the Fleet" with Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers will be screened at the Capitol on Sunday morning at 10-30

SUNDAY SHOW AT PALACE
The attraction for the Sunday morning show at Palace is "The Invisible Man Returns" starring Sir Cedric Hardwyck and Vincent Price.

Shavian Play For 2nd Week

"Major Barbara" Held Over At Empire

Film fans everywhere are cheering a new screen hit. It is George Bernard Shaw's brilliant comedy, "Major Barbara," which is running at New Empire for second week.

Its outstanding cast is headed by Wendy Hiller, the lovely actress who became a glamour girl overnight when she was teamed with Leslie Howard in "Pygmalion". Robert Morley, who is remembered for his brilliant performance in the title role of "Oscar Wilde" on Broadway, appears as Andrew Undershaft, the multi-millionaire munitions manufacturer, while Rex Harrison plays the romantic lead opposite Wendy

In "Major Barbara," Shaw tells an absorbing and exciting story of a man who believes in armaments and the implements of warfare and his daughter, who becomes a major in the Salvation Army because of her burning desire to help people everywhere.

How these two personalities clash and resolve their differences is told in a comedy vein in a story that has brilliant dialogue, compelling drama and novelty of treatment. Every bit of dialogue in the picture was written by Shaw himself, who insists that a motion picture must tell a story before it does anything else.

Rex Harrison in 'Major Barbara' At Empire.

'Meet John Doe' For Second Week At Eros

Capra-Riskin Super Film Of 1941

"Meet John Doe", continued for second week at Eros.

Capra and Riskin, director and writer of "Meet John Doe," have put on the screen as thrilling entertainment an incontrovertible fact that most of us have overlooked or completely forgotten; that as people or a nation are as strong as the small people of that nation want it to be.

This famed writer-director combination who took apart the Genus Americanus in such human documents as "You Can't Take It With You," "Lost Horizon" and "Mr. Deeds Goes To Town" seach deeply into the soul of our American way through the eyes of John Doe in their newest film.

Riskin's "John Doe" as played by Gary Cooper is every American man.

John Doe is the man who reaches into the return slot of a pay telephone hoping to grab a nickle someone forgot. He is also the guy who will give his last dime to a beggar on the street. He is the guy who will do anything within the law to beat a fellowman on a business deal and when he has succeeded will take the guy out and spend twice as much as he made getting the fellow drunk. He is the same fellow who will sneer "Flag Waving" at a display of patriotism but will knock another chaps block off for saying anything against the flag or against the nation.

'Blood & Sand' For 2nd Week

Great Love Film At Regal

That tempestuous film of romantic Spain, "Blood and Sand" which 20th Century-Fox has been presenting at the Regal Theatre, held over for another week.

It was announced that the Technicolour film produced by Darryl F. Zanuck and starring Tyrone Power had broken all attendance records at the Regal Theatre, and that in fairness to those residents of Bombay who have not been able to see the picture, the management is holding the film for another week.

"Blood and Sand" is the dramatic story of a humble peasant who conquered Spain by becoming it's most famous bullfighter, but who was, in turn, conquered by a beautiful hard-hearted temptress. Although he loses his glory, his honours, and his friends, his devoted wife remains faithful to the end.

Director Rouben Mamoulian took a troupe of 300 to Mexico City to shoot the background scenes for this film of Spanish life. For it is in this new world capital that the charm, colours, and atmosphere of old Spain still survive.

The critics have enthusiastically received this latest 20th Century-Fox production and are unanimous in their praise of Tyrone Power's performance.

"ARGENTINE NIGHTS" AT PALACE
Sparkling with new songs, fast comedy and an array of colourful dances, the Universal musical, "Argentine Nights", has come to Palace this week with the Ritz Brothers and the Andrews Sisters co-starred.

Never have the three comedians cavorted to more hilarious effect. For the Andrews Sisters, famous swinging trio who are presented for the first time on the screen, the picture makes an auspicious debut. The Ritz Brothers also present two songs as important highlights of the film.

The story shows the hilarious Ritzes taking a group of pretty girl entertainers into the pampas country. Noteworthy scenes are those in which the Ritzes do a riotous impersonation of the Andrews Sisters during a shipboard party. Constance Moore and George Reeves, a newcomer to the screen, are delightful as the romantic interest in the screenplay.

"KEEP FIT" AT EXCELSIOR
Excelsior Theatre will show this week "Keep Fit" a funny musical comedy in which George Formby is featured.

SUNDAY SHOW AT METRO.
On Sunday, October 26th at 10 a.m. Warner Brothers. Picture "We Are Not Alone" will be shown, Paul Muni is starred in the film

The Film Advisory Board's topical short-film, "War Time Factory", is being released to-day at the Eros, Metro, Palace and Paradise theatres. This picture follows the same lines as the other one "Armoured Cars," to which Mr. D. F. Karaka lent his pen and voice.

Tyrone Power and Linda Darnell in 'Blood and Sand' at Regal.

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R. A. F. STORES AND EQUIPMENT

Over 1,500 Items Obtained Locally

October 24

Over 1,500 items of stores and equipment for the Royal Air Force in India are now being obtained locally. A large proportion of these is being produced by private firms scattered over all parts of the country. Besides tools and appliances of various kinds, these items comprise a host of miscellaneous stores such as, batteries, cells, signalling lamps, hurricane lamps, fuzes, plugs, compasses, binoculars, thermometers, mathematical instruments, magnifying glasses, coloured glasses, triplex glasses, oxygen breathing gas, respirators, fire extinguishers, steel helmets, gloves, goggles, brushes, plaster of paris, paints, varnishes, enamels, distemper, etc.

Cricket

Sind Beat Maharashtra

KARACHI, Oct. 23.

Sind beat Maharashtra by 160 runs in the four days fixture in aid of the War Fund after an exciting finish

Maharashtra made 323 runs in their second innings (Deodhar 67, Gokhale 49 and Nimbalkar 42 not out).—A. P.

Water Polo

CITY TEAM BEATEN AT CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Oct 23.

In their first match played in Calcutta, the Golwalla Water Polo Team of Bombay, who are now on a tour here, lost to-day to the National Swimming Club of Calcutta by five goals to three.—A. P.

Baroda Win By 210 Runs

The Baroda Cricket Association touring team won their three-day festival match against the Hindu Gymkhana (Bombay North), at Matunga, by 210 runs. The Hindu Gymkhana side were all out for 132 runs in their second innings at 3 p.m. on Thursday.

K. P. C. C. Ex-President Released

(From A Correspondent.)

DHARWAR. (By Mail.)

Dr. R. Nagangouda, the elected President of the Karnatak Provincial Congress Committee was released on the 18th instant after completing his term of imprisonment in Trichy Jail.

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THEY DID? WHAT CHA DO?
TOOK AN ASPIRIN!
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	Change Rs.
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	
3 1/2 per cent G. P. Notes	+4 1/4
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan	+4 1/8
5 per cent 1945/55 T.F. Loan	—15/16
2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan	+2 1/8
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan	+2 13/16
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan	+3 11/16
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan J...	+1 3/16
4 per cent 1943 Loan	—9/16
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan	+3 1/16
British Consols	+6 3/16
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling	+6 3/8
PREFERENCE SHARES	
7 per cent Andhra Valley Taxable	+80
6 per cent Bombay Steam	+30
7 per cent Bombay Tram Tax Free	+2 1/2
5 per cent Central India Tax Free	+55
6 1/2 per cent Jupiter Ass. Tax Free	+1 1/4
6 1/4 per cent Premier Const. 1st Taxable	+3 1/2
6 1/4 per cent Premier Const. 2nd Taxable	+10
6 1/4 per cent Surat Electric Tax Free	+21 1/4
6 per cent Tata I. & S. 1st Taxable	+6 7/8
7 1/2 per cent Tata I. & S. 2nd Taxable	+7 1/4
7 per cent Tata Hydro Taxable	+8 1/8
7 1/2 per cent Tata Power Taxable	+112 1/2
7 per cent Vishnu Taxable	+15
DEBENTURES	
4 per cent Andhra Valley Taxable	
4 per cent Bombay Telephone Taxable	—1
5 per cent Morarjee Taxable	
7 per cent Sholapur Taxable	—1/8
PUBLIC UTILITIES	
Electrics.	
Ahmedabad	+20
Ajmere	+1 3/4
Andhra Valley F	+130
Bombay Tramways F	+19
Bombay Suburban	+20 5/8
Broach	+3/8
Karachi	—3 3/4
Poona	+7 1/2
Surat	+15 5/8
Tata Hydro F	+12
Tata Power F	+300
RAILWAYS	
Ahmedabad Prantej	—120
Central Provinces	+9 3/4
Dhond Baramati	+6 1/4
Gujarat	+3 1/2
Hoshiapur Doab	+8 1/2
Mandra Bhon	+11
Mymensingh R	+11 1/4
Mymensingh G	+10 1/2
Pachora Jamner	+35 1/2
Sara Sirajgunj	+7
Sialkot Narowal	+8 1/2
Sind Light	—7 1/2
Tapti Valley	—127 1/2
Upper Sind Light	+6 1/2
BANKS AND INSURANCE	
Bank of Baroda	+12 1/2
Bank of India	+12 1/2
Central	+10 1/4
Imperial P P	+58 3/4
Imperial P P	+14 3/8
Reserve	+5 1/2
Union	+1 1/2
Bombay Life Ass.	
Empire Life	+125
Ind. & Prudent	+4 3/4
Ind. Mercantile	+12 1/2
Jupiter	+5 1/2
New India	+14 1/4
Oriental	+880
Vulcan	+3 3/8
IRON AND STEEL	
Tata Ordinary F	+46 1/2
Tata Deferred F	+318 3/4
Indian Iron	+4 3/16
Bengal Steel	+2 6/8
TEXTILES	
Ahmedabad Adv.	+58 3/4
Bombay Dyeing F	+328 3/4
Central India F	+110 1/2
Century F	+134
Colaba Land F	+50
Dawn	+85
E. D. Sassoon	+12 7/32
Finlay F	+79 1/2
Gokak F	+44 1/2
Hindustan	+360
Indian Man.	+275
Indian Bleaching F	+24 1/2
Indore Malwa	+151 3/4
Khatau	+87 3/4
Kohinoor F	+144
Lakshmi	+103 3/4
Madhowji	+5 1/2
Model Nagpur	+117 1/2
Morarji F	+327
Mysore F	+30 1/2
New Great F	+296
Phoenix F	+98 3/4
Sholapur	+2,358
Sassoon Silk	+2
Swan F	+85 1/2
Simplex F	+68 1/2
Swadeshi F	+154 1/2
Tata	+28 1/4
Vishnu	+225
Western India	+460
ENGINEERING	
Alcock Ashdown F	+153 3/4
Prem. Construction F	+41
SHIPPING	
Bombay Steam F	+93
Scindia	+5 5/16
MINING	
Burma Corporation	—1/2
Indian Copper	—3/16
Shivrajpur F	+5 3/4
MISCELLANEOUS	
Associated Cement F	+38 1/4
B. B. Petrol	—5/64
Belapur Sugar F	+36
Bombay Burma old F	—2 1/2
Bombay Burma new	+2 1/2
Indian Radio O	+173 3/4
Indian Radio D	+191 7/8
Investment Trust	+5 1/2
Port Canning	+12 1/2
Tata Oil	+15 1/2

Shares on the forward List are marked 'F'.

London Stock Exchange

London, October 22

Stock Exchange experienced a quiet session though undertone steady throughout. Giltedged fully held yesterday's gains but Home rails receded slightly and industrials were firm, especially Courtaulds which were seven pence half penny higher at thirty-two shillings nine pence following talk of further announcement of their former viscose holdings. Leading oils hardened, South American rails well held, whilst Kaffirs mostly steady but Japbonds lower.

Wall Street: Narrowly irregular.

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay, October 23

Pepper ready per candy	86	0	0
Pepper Maha Sud 15	86	4	0
Ginger ready	33	0	0
Ginger Maha Sud 15	24	8	0

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, October 23

Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/2 at New York.

London Spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d. New York Spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents. London Bombay Spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 52/10/6. The local market was quietly steady with a limited business and quotations fluctuated within a narrow range as under:—

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	42	1 6
Kartak		42	2 0
Magsar		42	2 3
Sovereigns		28	7 6

SILVER

Ready	63	1	0
Kartak	62	13	0
Magsar	62	12	0

LONDON SILVER
London, October 22

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD
London, October 22

Gold Bars Fine per oz £8-8-0

LONDON RUBBER
London, October 22

London smoked sheet standard ribbed per lb 13 3/4

Healthy Atmosphere In Yarn Market

Bombay, October 22

The Price Control Conference which was held at Delhi on the 16th and 17th instant, has now come to an end and most of the fears entertained by the Yarn Trade have now been set at rest inasmuch as the Conference has wisely not attempted to solve the impossible. This has naturally created a healthy atmosphere in the yarn markets all over the country and prices of Indian yarns in all consuming centres have tended to improve to some extent during the week under review. But for the decline in cotton prices and also some falling off in demand from the Overseas markets, prices in Indian yarns would have improved further during the week. New Year business on the auspicious evening i.e. on Monday, the 20th instant, has not proved to be very satisfactory as was expected probably because most of the local mills having sold out their yarns for several months ahead were not found willing to make sales for very distant deliveries at low prices whereas most of the local dealers and middlemen having purchased some of their requirements for nearer deliveries were not found willing to make purchases at any higher prices for distant deliveries. It is no wonder therefore that the turnover on the Moorat day was rather restricted and prices have fluctuated within a narrow range. On the whole undertone has remained fairly steady. Reports from almost all important consuming centres are also reassuring and the future outlook seems more hopeful than for the last several weeks.

English yarns: There has been no business possible in this class of yarns owing to the war.

Japanese and Shanghai yarns: Prices in all Japanese and Shanghai yarns have improved further during the week to the extent of about two annas per lb. mostly due to fears of worsening of the political situation between Japan and Allied powers as a result of the change in the Japanese Cabinet during the week. Speculative turnover in Mercerised yarns has considerably improved and the Moorat business has proved to be generally satisfactory. Prices on the whole have improved to the extent of about two to three annas per lb. in several well-known styles with a firm undertone at the close. No fresh business with Japan has been possible so far and it is feared that chances for any fresh business in the next few weeks are more remote than ever. There have been also no further arrivals from Japan on account of absence of any steamers. The future outlook continues to remain hopeful.

Artificial Silk Yarns: Prices in artificial silk yarns as well as staple fibre yarns have shown signs of further improvement during the week with a very steady undertone at the close. There has been improvement in enquiries from local mills and it is also expected on account of some improvement in cloth, demand from handloom weavers will also show some improvement in the next few days as soon as the market becomes more settled. Turnover on the Moorat day however has remained very restricted in this class of yarns probably due to higher prices. Future outlook remains hopeful.

Indian Yarns: A good deal of turnover was in evidence on the Bombay Yarn Exchange Ltd. on the Moorat day and prices have improved to some extent probably due to fears of price control being removed at least for the time being. It is estimated that business was done to the extent of over 3000 bales in 20 1/2s at slightly better prices than before. Future course of the market remains more hopeful

LONG LIQUIDATION IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

TRADE AND SPECULATIVE BUYING

Bombay, October 23

On Wednesday, the New York cotton market was steady at the start with trade and speculative buying and prices registered a rise of 17 points. This improvement was lost in the afternoon under hedge selling and long liquidation. The market believes that more cotton is going into loans after the recent decline as the Farm Bloc is making efforts to fix higher ceiling. Such propaganda is being done on a large scale but in view of anti-inflation move, chances for any marked rise are very few.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton futures market opened at a rise of 6 points with March 16.61. There was moderate trade and speculative buying and March advanced to 16.72 which was the highest level. Later on there was increased hedge selling and long liquidation which depressed March to 16.53 which was the lowest level. The market finally closed at a net decline of 2 to 3 points. Spot cotton prices declined one point at 17.04c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet with moderate business and closed at a decline of 4 to 5 points. Spot cotton prices were reduced 5 points at 15.95c. per lb.

HIGHER PRICES

The Cotton Trade Journal writes:—"Trade circles in London are reported to be expecting American cotton prices to continue their upward trend for some time. Mounting prices is considered the sequel to the small acreage planted this year, the condition of the crop and the important role the commodity has in war.

Another factor in the expected rising prices is the effect of the German invasion on the Russian cotton crop. Russia is reported to have a large yield in prospect, but it is menaced by the war and Russia may become a large buyer in the North American market.

Producers and others engaged in the processing and selling of cotton goods might well guard against too much optimism with respect to skyrocketing prices, however. The country is becoming more and more convinced that price ceilings may become necessary for raw materials as well as manufactured goods as checks on the tendency towards inflation."

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest	16.72+17
New York March lowest	16.53—03

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Trade and speculative buying met with hedge selling and long liquidation.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, October 22

December	16.26—03
January	16.32—03
March	16.53—02
Middling Spot	17.04—01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, October 22

December	16.30—06
January	16.36—05
March	16.57—04
Middling Spot	15.95—05

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, October 22
11 a.m. call. Noon call

December	16.43	16.34
March	16.70	16.59
May	16.84	16.73

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York, October 22
Day's receipts at all U S Ports 22,000 bales

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BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, October 23

The East India Cotton Association market was closed to-day being Ramzan Id holiday. The Mahajan Association market was opened and Broach A/M delivery opened at Rs. 217. There was moderate buying and short covering which improved prices to Rs. 218/8. At this level there was no demand and prices eased off to Rs. 216/8 on long liquidation and rallied to Rs. 217/4.

Thereafter there was scattered buying and prices improved to Rs. 218. Business was restricted owing to absence of professional activity. At the close Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 218.

BOMBAY PRODUCE

Bombay, October 23

The local market was quiet with a moderate business. Groundnuts February opened at Rs. 41/14 and after improving to Rs. 42/1 sagged to Rs. 41/13. Castorseeds were quoted at Rs. 38/4 and Cottonseeds January were placed at Rs 23/13. Linseed May opened at Rs. 8/8/9 and declined to Rs. 8/8, while wheat January opened at Rs. 5/10/6 and eased off to Rs. 5/9/9. May wheat opened at Rs. 6/11/3 and declined to Rs. 6/10/9. Ready linseed business was done at Rs. 7/14/3 and Wheat Delhi Ficci were done at Rs. 7/3. Karachi Bangla was done at Rs. 7/5/0.

Yarn And Silk Merchants Quotations

Bombay: October 23.

	Rs.	a.	p.
64/2 Koru Nissim—			
Spot	36	11	0
October	36	11	0
November	37	2	0
84/2 Koru Nissim—			
Spot	38	4	0
October	38	4	0
November	38	12	0
62/2 Any—			
Spot	3	8	3
October	3	8	3
November	3	9	0
80/2 Any—			
Spot	3	11	0
October	3	11	0
November	3	11	0
150 Any—			
Spot	2	15	0
October	2	15	3
November	3	0	0

Metal Exchange Quotations

Bombay, October 23

Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 96/12; 28 88; 35 87/12; 42 86/12; 49-56 85/8

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 102; 24 99; 28 98/8; 35 96; 42 95; 49-56 94.

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 54; Rosita Rs. 52/8; Country make Rs. 41; Pigtead 'B.M.' Refined Rs. 23/8 per cwt.

Tin Ingot Penang Rs. 84/12 per qr.

Settlement rates:—

Copper sheets Posh Rs. 86/15;

Pigtead 'B.M.' Magsar Rs. 22/10; Tin Ingot Penang Magsar Rs. 83/14

Market tone: Firm.

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, October 23

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Tone:—Steady

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay, October 23

Linseed May	8	8	0
Wheat January	5	9	6
Wheat May	6	10	3

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS.

Bombay, October 23

Groundnuts February—			
Opening	Rs. 41	15	0
Highest	42	1	6
Lowest	41	12	6
Closing	41	13	0
Cottonseeds January—			
Opening	23	13	0
Highest	23	15	6
Lowest	23	13	0
Closing	23	14	3
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening	39	0	0
Highest	39	0	0
Lowest	38	15	0
Closing	39	0	0

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGES
London, October 22

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£70	3/8	
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	£90	8/8	
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£99	1/4	
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£92	7/16	
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£106	7/16	
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£106	7/16	
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/1990	£114	1/4	
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£113	1/4	
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£9	1/2	
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank			

LONDON SEEDS
London, October 22

Rozario Santa Fe Oct/Nov quoted	21/3
Barletta Russo Oct/Nov quoted	21/3
South Australian Oct/Nov quoted	27/6

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, October 22

T T London on:—	
New York	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
Madrid	40.50
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Berne	17.30/17.40
Stockholm	15.85/16.95

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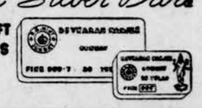
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FOUR MEN WILL CONTROL EMPIRE'S NEWS

LONDON, OCT. 23.

THE AMAZING MOVE OF THE PRESS BARONS OF LONDON TO SECURE COMPLETE CONTROL OVER ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST NEWS AGENCIES AND THE EMPIRE'S MAIN SOURCE OF NEWS SUPPLY, NAMELY REUTERS WAS DISCLOSED DURING QUESTION TIME AND AT DEBATE RAISED ON THE ISSUE IN THE COMMONS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

The submission of Reuters was secured by the press barons threatening to put up competition and to harm the news agency by other means in their power.

The scheme let loose an avalanche of attack in the Commons when none rose to support it and every attack on it raised rings of cheers.

The opposition urged that Government could well evolve a scheme by which the news agency could be brought under control of independent men who had no interest in doctoring news and whose impartiality could not be doubted.

The alternative was to form a trust or to nationalise the service.

If the scheme is put through it would be possible for four men to control a service that supplies news to the Empire, to many foreign countries and to the B. B. C.

Mr. Clement Davies, who had originally raised the question in the morning, again referred to what he described as a matter of extreme public importance and great urgency because he understood "that what has taken place would, unless something intervened, be completed to-morrow."

Mr. Davies said, "Reuters has become not only a national but an international corporation and a name which is familiar to us all. It is a name on which reliance has been placed by generations as a company which collected and disseminated news as independently and fairly as could be and as accurately ascertained as possible."

Mr. Davies continued he understood that Reuters until a few days ago was owned by the Press Association which held all the shares in Reuters.

The Press Association was in the main owned by independent newspapers outside London. Although a certain number of London newspaper owners had a certain number of shares in the Association, no single person or even a small body was in control. But recently the Press Association were approached by a certain number of London newspaper owners and it was proposed to buy 50 per cent of Reuter shares. That proposal has been accepted by owners of shares in the Press Association and if this transaction is allowed to go through, it will mean that that percentage of Reuter shares will be under the control of a few men who are now in control of some of London newspapers which are of course national newspapers. I suggest that it gives rise to a very dangerous position"

Don't Corrupt Source Of News

Mr. Davies thought the dissemination of news shou'd come from a source which was pure and undefiled and not only that but above suspicion (cheers).

"But if the power of handling news at its source, the power regarding its selection, the way it is then disseminated to the world, is in the hands of a few people there is a very great danger, to say the least, that that news may be used for an ulterior purpose.

I do not suggest that the new proprietors will abuse their power in any way at the present moment but the mere fact that the possibility is there is one which, at any rate, disturbs me and would probably disturb the public and they will lose their confidence in the accuracy and security of news".

Danger To B. B. C.

Mr. Davies went on there was also a particular danger, namely that the B.B.C. got a large part of their news from foreign countries and from the Empire through Reuters.

Everyone relied upon the accuracy of the news of the B.B.C. but should it happen that the idea got abroad that the origin of the news before it reached the B.B.C. might be defiled, then even confidence in the B.B.C. would be shaken".

Mr. Davies said he did not agree with the suggestion that the Government could not interfere in this matter for it did not seem right to suggest that the Government, which could intervene in most ordinary transactions, could not in a matter of vital importance take action.

He urged that the minister must be satisfied that the whole conduct of Reuters would be in the hands of people who would not only be in themselves perfect but command the respect and trust of the whole world.

It was far from him to suggest that the Government should take control of Reuters because then again they would be under suspicion. But he urged, "Surely, a body could be created to-day completely independent of the trustees who would hold these shares —men who would command respect in this House, in the country generally, in foreign countries and throughout the world".

He hoped Government would take not only immediate action but determined action in the matter (cheers).

Under Threat

Mr. Davies was followed by Mr. Samuel Storey (Conservative). Chairman of Reuters.

Mr. Storey stated "I have no financial interest in this company and I take no salary for my work as Chairman."

His opposition to the proposals now made had been because he believed that they were not in national interest (cheers).

Mr. Storey continued, "What are the facts? Some months ago the Newspaper Proprietors' Association, which is a trade association of London newspapers, under the threat of competition, persuaded a majority of directors of the Press Association, which is a home news agency owned by provincial newspapers, to agree to sell to them one half of the issued share capital in Reuters.

This proposed sale was approved last week by a general meeting of the Press Association but the majority on that occasion was more than made up by the vote of provincial newspapers allied to London newspapers.

It is intended that the deal should be completed tomorrow.

I should like to say a word or two on what are Reuters' main functions. They are these:

First to supply news, home, Empire and foreign, to newspapers and news agencies throughout the British Empire and in foreign countries.

Second to supply Empire and foreign news and Parliamentary reports to the B.B.C. for their home and overseas broadcasts.

Third to supply Empire and foreign news to newspapers in Great Brtain and Ireland.

I submit that to perform these functions properly its ownership and direction should be independent (cheers).

It should be wide, experienced and so representative that no sectional interest can ever dominate it.

Co-operative Enterprise

The present membership and direction of Reuters has one merit—that all Reuter shares are held, or were held by the Press Association, a co-operative enterprise whose shares were very widely held. If this sale is completed the position will be entirely altered.

Mr. Storey continued, "It is true that the proposed deal is coupled with a proposal for the creation of a Reuter trust but this trust would have no real power.

The trust could any time be got rid of by the shareholders by the simple expedient of putting the company into voluntary liquidation and there was no provision whatsoever for the representation of any other interest except the newspapers".

Mr. Storey said, "The London newspapers, who through the Newspaper Proprietors' Association, will hold half the issued capital of Reuters, will also through their provincial editions and through provincial newspapers allied to them, continue not only to hold half the shares of Reuters but will continue to have 25 per cent interest in the Press Association's half interest.

They will therefore be in a position of considerable advantage and it is at least possible—I put no higher than this—that Reuters will be run privately to serve the special interest of London newspapers.

The requirements of some London newspapers are not necessarily the same as those of provincial newspapers nor are they identical with the news service requirements of either the B.B.C. or Empire and foreign news agencies and newspapers".

Not In National Interest

Continuing Mr. Storey said, "The policy we have set out to carry through is that we shall re-establish London as the news centre of the world.

If it is the news centre of the world and of all news coming in from every quarter of the globe, we shall be able to satisfy the needs of all our clients fully and equally, whether they are London or provincial newspapers, whether they are dominion or Indian, or whether they are Empire or foreign newspapers.

That we are succeeding in doing so is borne out by telegrams we have received from all quarters of the globe."

Mr. Storey continued, "It was certainly not in national interest that a section of the newspaper industry—particularly one composed of so few individuals (cheers) should be in a position to exert a dominating influence over a national institution performing so vital a function as Reuters and enjoying such facilities as Reuters enjoyed".

Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister for Information, asked "Will he tell us about the few individuals. I should like him to mention that, because I feel it very important to know what he has in mind."

Mr. Storey replied, "What I have in mind is that the Newspaper Proprietors' Association who, as I have said, will not only hold half the shares of Reuters but have other interest on the other side, consists I think of 15 members and under the provisions of trust deeds it is possible for these shares to fall into as few as four hands. I think the fact that that is even a possibility is not in the national interest.

He submitted that Government should bring about the creation of such a Reuter trust and he begged them in the national interest to do so (cheers.)

Stanley Reed's Opposition

Sir Stanley Reed (Conservative) said he had no beneficial interest in Reuters but he endorsed in every particular the remarks made by Mr. Clement Davies. What they wanted was impartial and accurate news free from any sort of views, pressure or propaganda.

Sir Stanley Reed said that speaking on behalf of overseas' press he had gravest doubts whether those (independent) conditions would be maintained in the circumstances now contemplated which he regarded as further trustification of the British press.

Sir Stanley Reed urged Government to see this transaction did not go through without further investigation and very careful enquiry.

Minister's Reply

Mr. Brendan Bracken replying said: "This has been the most interesting debate but to some extent one-sided for no one has spoken for the bold bad Barons of Fleet Street who are said to have pounced upon Reuters, anxious to add to their powers. They are said to wish to have control of what has been described as England's greatest news agency. We are actually negotiating with the parties concerned, the Chancellor of Exchequer and myself, and I hope they will take notice what has been said in this House this afternoon.

The House has to face up to this problem, that Reuters, at the present moment, is a business concern.

It is quite open to Government if they like to bring in a bill to nationalise Reuters. Is that going to be helpful to Reuters?

If a news agency is regarded throughout the world as the property of the British Government, its news value is likely to fall.

There is another alternative and that is for the Government to start its own news agency.

Believe me, from what I have seen in my limited experience in my present ministry, I think the financial misfortunes of a Government's news agency would be beyond all description. We must face up to the facts that whoever manages Reuters, must have the financial responsibility for it.

I am willing to accept the suggestion that Reuters should be nationalised if the House should decide that it should be so."

But, continued Mr. Bracken, they were discussing the transaction of a private property. Government was a customer of Reuters and no more.

"I imagine that the generality of shareholders of Reuters, even if Government withdrew their accounts, might say they might work it up to a much more effective news agency than in the past."

Nationalisation

Mr. Bracken said that if Mr. Storey thought that in the past ten or twelve years Reuter's position as world news agency had been similar to that of say the "Associated Press' of America, he was greatly mistaken.

Reuters, to his mind, had lost ground. But they had to remember that if Government nationalised Reuters, they were going to have a difficult job of doing that business.

Mr. Bracken thought that the suggestion they should start a Government news agency, if Reuters did not come to heel, was a very futile argument.

He did not want to prejudice the negotiations for an agreement by people saying that the press barons of Fleet Street might use Reuters against national interest.

A very large proportion of the provincial press was also trustified and the joint stock principle had entered into most newspapers in England. It was only a question of large stock companies and small stock companies.

"I am not going to accept the suggestion that the Newspaper Proprietors' Association is unpatriotic and villainous. I was a member of this Association before I assumed my present office.

I think the House should wait until they see how we fare with these great barons. If we fail to get a satisfactory solution, this debate should be continued, but we should not import a lot of criticism of parties we have to meet to-morrow in the House of Commons without knowing what line these gentlemen are going to take."

It was, said Mr. Bracken, unfair to the Newspaper Proprietors' Association to regard them as a lot of greedy bandits who are anxious to doctor news for the benefit of their readers. They were no such thing.

He hoped that at some time or other someone would get up and put the other point of view which they had not heard today.

No Assurance

Mr. Bevan (Labour) asked if Mr. Bracken would report to the House the result of these negotiations before the scheme was legally consummated.

Mr. Bracken: "I could not give any undertaking like it. These negotiations have gone through to this extent:

The Newspaper Proprietors' Association have bought shares; they have not altered the articles but they have bought the shares. But there is nothing in that because if in the national interest it is desirable to undo the deal, well then it can be done because we are dealing with patriotic parties on all sides. I do not think it is the exact date which matters, but the question of public interest."

Mr. Bevan asked again whether Mr. Bracken would report to the House before final legal effect was given to whatever scheme ultimately emerged from the negotiations.

Mr. Bracken: "I cannot do that because actually the contract has been signed and to a large extent the deal has gone through but to-morrow I shall present to negotiators on the other side a copy of the Hansard and when they have digested it I think perhaps they may be more amenable to the suggestion. But I want to point out again that only one side of this transaction has been given in the House. (Hear, hear).

Sir Archibald Southby (Conservative) said, "What the House wanted was that Reuters should continue to be an independent body as it was at present.

Mr. Bracken: "It is really absurd to talk as if Reuters in the past was governed by the Twelve Apostles but that now bandits have come in take it over.

What is really happening is that the Press Association—a body under whose hands Reuters has prospered—is parting with half its interest in Reuters, in my opinion, on financial grounds, to the Newspaper Proprietors' Association.

What is the power of the Government in this matter? Government has been keeping a fatherly eye on something they did not own and they were still keeping a fatherly eye on this matter.

Mr. Bracken added, however, they had been fortified by the debate for there was apparently real and genuine interest in the matter. (Cheers).

After further discussion the House adjourned.—Reuter.

Shamjibhai Remains Adamant

Messrs. Bhulabhai J. Desai, Soonderdas Morarji, Maneklal Vakharia and Bhawanishanker Oza issued the following statement to the press:

After the notice to the President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee that Mr. Shamjibhai was going to fast, on the 17th October 1941, at night at 9-30 Messrs. Soonderdas Morarji, Maneklal Vakharia, Bhawanishanker Oza, Shamjibhai, Dhirubhai Desai and Bhulabhai Desai met at Mr. Bhulabhai Desai's residence.

After discussing for nearly four hours when everything was explained in that meeting both to and by Mr. Shamjibhai, he agreed not to go on fast as contemplated owing to the understanding arrived at. He however persisted that for his "Atma-Suddhi" he will observe a five days' fast.

We all did our utmost to explain to him that an understanding having, been arrived at, any type of fast was unnecessary but he remained adamant and again told us that he was doing it to satisfy his own soul and any further appeals from us would be of no avail. We all then dispersed.

Next day Mr. Shamjibhai of his own accord intimated to us that he wanted to go on fast as originally contemplated by him and he insisted on an additional term to be added to the original agreement.

This decision was not prompted by any alleged breach of undertaking on anybody's part. Thereupon we together with Messrs. Ajit Desai and Poonamchand (a friend of Mr. Shamjibhai) again met at Mr. Bhulabhai's house and it was pointed out to Mr. Shamjibhai that his insisting to go on fast was contrary to the agreement. Mr. Soonderdas was not present on this occasion.

Among other things Mr. Shamjibhai admitted that a complete agreement was arrived at the night before but he wanted a further term and insisted upon it. Every effort was made to persuade him to see that when once the agreement was entered into (which fact he also admitted), he should not go on doing things in breach of the agreement but he remained unpersuaded.

This is the version of the events which took place since the notice and all statements to the contrary are incorrect.

The following statement is made by Mr. Dhirubhai B. Desai, the President of the B.P.C.C. in connection with the intended fast.

Mr. Shamjibhai and some others had certain complaints against Mr. Bimal Sharma and the matter was first referred to Mrs. Sarojini Naidu. Thereafter they sent a petition to Mahatma Gandhi requesting him to get an enquiry made.

Mahatma Gandhi wrote to me stating that as Mrs. Naidu had disposed of the matter nothing remained to be done. A similar letter was addressed to Mr. Shamjibhai and others on Gandhiji's behalf. Thereafter Sjt. Shamjibhai addressed a letter to me stating that unless an enquiry was held and steps taken against Mr. Sharma he would undertake a fast.

I addressed a letter to Mr. Shamjibhai informing him that in view of the fact that he had approached Mahatma Gandhi with a request to hold an enquiry and his request had not been granted, and if he was not satisfied with that he should go to him and get the decision revised or reviewed.

Thereafter on the 18th inst. the matter was discussed between Messrs. Bhulabhai Desai, Soonderdas Morarji, Maneklal Vakharia, Bhawanishanker Oza, Shamjibhai and myself and a certain agreement was arrived at.

On the next day, i.e., on the 19th inst. Mr. Shamjibhai intimated that he did not want to carry out the terms of the agreement and put forward certain fresh terms. That fact was also intimated to the above gentlemen who requested Mr. Shamjibhai to adhere to the agreement that had been arrived at but Mr. Shamjibhai however decided to

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fast and in spite of Gandhiji's decision and the above agreement and the advice tendered to him to go and see Gandhiji.

Mr. Shamjibhai was thereafter persuaded by Mr. Chandulal Shah to approach Gandhiji and abandon the fast.

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